D. K. Smith ‘42 Economics Symposium at Middlebury College

“Economics of Inequality”
Saturday, April 27th, 2019 [Robert A. Jones ’59 House Conference Room]

Welcome Remarks 9:30 to 9:40 AM President Laurie Patton/Phanindra V. Wunnava

I. AM Session 9:45 AM – 12:05 PM Poverty, Returns to Education and Racial Employment/Earnings Inequality  
Moderator: Robert Bernhardt [Middlebury College]
-Brad Hershbein [Upjohn Institute] with Timothy J. Bartik [Upjohn Institute]  
“Degree of Poverty: The Relationship between Family Income Background and the Returns to Education”

Discussant: Tanya Byker [Middlebury College]
-William M. Rodgers III [Rutgers University]  
“The African American Experience: Prosperity for All? Prosperity Diminished? or Prosperity Denied?”

Discussant: Martin Abel [Middlebury College]

II. Lunch 12:10 to 12:55 PM

II. PM Session 1 PM – 3:20 PM Wealth Inequality in the US and Gender Job Segregation across Countries  
Moderator: Christian A. Schmitt [Middlebury College]
-Edward N. Wolff [New York University]  
“The Evolution of Wealth Inequality in the United States, 1983 to 2016”

Discussant: Peter H. Matthews [Middlebury College]
-Stephanie Seguino [University of Vermont] with Elissa Braunein [Colorado State University]  

Discussant: Aniruddha Mitra [Bard College]

IV. Coffee Break 3:25 to 3:40 PM

V. Panel Discussion 3:45 to 5:05 PM “Inequality and the American Dream”  
Moderator: Tanya Byker

Concluding Remarks 5:10 to 5:20 PM Phanindra V. Wunnava [Middlebury College]