

David K Smith '42 Economics Symposium  
Dedicated to the Memory of Robert E. Prasch III

**“Economics of Skin Tone, Gender, Ethnicity, and Diaspora”**

Saturday, April 16th, 2016 [Robert A. Jones '59 House Conference Room]

Welcome Remarks: 8:30 to 8:45 AM President Laurie L. Patton [Middlebury]

Session I: 8:50 AM to 11 AM [Moderator: Jana Parsons '16] “Do we have a Color-Blind Economy?”



Discussant: Stephanie Seguíno [UVM]

-Marcos A. Rangel [Duke]

**“Color and Families: Demographic and socioeconomic differentials according to skill tonalities in the US”**

-Art Goldsmith [Washington & Lee, with co-authors]

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Coffee Break 11 AM to 11:15 AM

Keynote Address I: 11:20 AM to 12:30 PM Solomon W. Polachek [SUNY-Binghamton]

**“Gender/Racial Wage Gaps: Not Too Well-Known Trends & Explanations”**



Lunch 12:30 PM to 1:15 PM

Session II: 1:20 PM to 3:30 PM [Moderator: Hyeon-Seok Yu '16] **“Are Earnings Converging across Race and Gender?”**



Discussant: Tanya Byker [Middlebury]

-John S. Heywood [Wisconsin-Milwaukee, with G. Courey]

**“Trends in Gender and Racial Wage Gap among Software Workers”**

-Joyce Jacobsen [Wesleyan, with co-authors]

**“Why Are Women’s and Men’s Work Lives Converging? Demography, Human Capital Investments and Lifetime Earnings”**

Coffee Break 3:30 PM to 3:45 PM

Session III: 3:50 to 5 PM [Moderator: Nathaniel Cleveland '16.5] **“Who benefited from the Civil Rights Act?”**



-Harriet Duleep [William & Mary, with M. Regets] **“The Civil Rights Act and the Earnings of Lower Income Hispanic Men in the 1960’s”**

Discussant: Marcos A. Rangel [Duke]

Keynote Address II: 5:05 PM to 6:15 PM

Klaus F. Zimmermann [Harvard/Bonn University]

**“Diaspora Economics: Global Challenges and Perspectives”**



Closing Remarks: Phanindra V. Wunnava [Middlebury]