

Kautz-Uible Economics Institute

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Greetings

Debashis Pal, Managing Director



Since we sent you our Spring 2022 newsletter, the Kautz-Uible Economics Institute has continued with various exciting activities to enrich the experience of economics students at the University of Cincinnati. We have selected over forty students to receive Kautz-Uible Fellowships and Scholarships during the 2022–23 academic year, sponsored an economics study trip to Washington, DC, organized the 2022 Economics Homecoming, and admitted the first student into our Pathways to Success program for underrepresented students. Today, November 4, 2022, we are hosting the 2022 James C. Kautz Lecture after a two-year break for COVID-19.

Yet, the most exciting news is the inauguration of the Kautz-Uible Cryptoeconomics Lab on September 23, 2022. This cutting-edge lab at the University of Cincinnati's brand-new Digital Futures building is led by Dr. Michael Jones, Kautz-Uible Professor of Economics and the institute's academic director. Under his supervision, students receive hands-on training on DeFi, cryptocurrencies, NFTs, and blockchain. A generous gift by Dan Kautz and Woody Uible has made the Cryptoeconomics Lab possible.

This newsletter highlights several of our recent activities and features dedicated alums and friends who support the Institute in several ways. Please visit our website at kueconomicsinstitute.org and join our LinkedIn company page at linkedin.com/company/kautz-uible-economics-institute for the most up-to-date information.

We sincerely thank our alums and friends whose generous support makes the activities of the Kautz-Uible Economics Institute possible. We encourage you to get involved with the institute and welcome your participation in our events, including our annual James C. Kautz Lecture, Kautz-Uible Women in Economics panels, and our annual economics homecoming event.

There's much you can do—mentor a current student, give a lecture, supervise a student's research project, donate to the institute, or create a named scholarship. Together, let's help our current students have an amazing educational experience.

Sincerely,

Debashis Pal

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NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

Sarah Asebrook, Program Coordinator



We hope you enjoy the latest edition of our Kautz-Uible Economics Institute's newsletter. It's an honor to highlight the exciting developments made possible by the institute. If you would like to submit a news item for consideration for future publications, please don't hesitate to reach out via email at asebrosa@ucmail.uc.edu. **Happy reading!**

Cover Photo: Digital Futures Fellow Jack Luu presents his research in the Kautz-Uible Cryptoeconomics Lab. Photo taken by Lab Research Assistant Emilee LaReeda.

Introducing the Kautz-Uible Cryptoeconomics Lab

Located in UC's Digital Futures





Kautz-Uible Cryptoeconomics Lab Officially Opens

Located in the heart of the Cincinnati Innovation District is an exciting innovative space dedicated to the rapidly evolving field of cryptoeconomics. Thanks to the generous support of institute founders Dan Kautz and Woody Uible, the Kautz-Uible Cryptoeconomics Lab is now open for business.

Housed in the university's new state-of-the-art research facility Digital Futures, the lab provides a physical space where researchers, students, and corporate partners study the impact of blockchain technology and digital assets on the future economy. Leading the lab's efforts is the institute's Academic Director Michael Jones, PhD, who oversees its primary activities of academic research, education, and digital asset management.

"Just as the Internet revolutionized society by building a censorship-resistant network of information, cryptoeconomics offers a similar transformative potential through a censorship-resistant network of value transfer."

-Lab Director Michael Jones, PhD

Cryptoeconomics refers to the use of incentives in a decentralized network of cryptographic transactions. "Just as the Internet revolutionized society by building a censorship-resistant network of information, cryptoeconomics offers a similar transformative potential through a censorship-resistant network of value transfer," said Jones. The lab gives students an opportunity to develop skills in this new arena and be a part of its transformative impact now and when they leave UC. After all, according to a recent LinkedIn report, "job postings with titles containing terms like 'bitcoin,' 'ethereum,' 'blockchain,' and 'cryptocurrency' grew 395% in the U.S. from 2020 to 2021, outpacing the wider tech industry."

Among only a handful of labs like it in the nation, the KU Cryptoeconomics Lab provides UC students with the unique opportunity to gain valuable hands-on experience with this technology. "We feel that students will learn more by participating in the process of trading cryptocurrencies and directly working with a blockchain," Uible expressed to UC News. "That experience is much more valuable and meaningful than just learning from a textbook."

Photo: Mining rigs pictured inside the Kautz-Uible Cryptoeconomics Lab. Photo taken by Lab Research Assistant Emilee LaReeda.

The only named lab in the facility thus far, the space serves as a hub for interdisciplinary research across the university and beyond. The lab works closely with other UC units, including the College of Design, Architecture, Art, and Planning's (DAAP) NFT Media Lab. In partnership with the School of Art, UC students are employed to create artwork as non-fungible tokens (NFTs). Smart contracts are programmed to distribute royalty earnings to the original artist and sponsoring organization.

With research analysis provided by UC's student-run Cryptocurrency Club, the lab manages investments in two funds: the Kautz-Uible Cryptocurrency Fund, held in trust by a qualified custodian, and the Decentralized Finance (DeFi) Fund, a self-custodied wallet holding high-growth digital assets. Custom mining rigs and validation nodes generate cryptocurrency income for the DeFi Fund.

With this new operation afoot, the Kautz-Uible Cryptoeconomics Lab establishes the University of Cincinnati as a thought leader in the field. As Kautz told UC News, "Blockchain is evolving, and the Cryptoeconomics Lab will evolve with it to keep UC at the forefront of this expanding technology."



Lab Research Assistant Kishan Singh sets up a mining rig in the Kautz-Uible Cryptoeconomics Lab. Photo taken by Lab Research Assistant Emilee LaReeda.

Digital Futures Grand Opening

On September 23, 2022, the Kautz-Uible Cryptoeconomics Lab officially opened its doors during the grand opening of Digital Futures. The celebration featured an open house, during which members of the community were able to tour through the innovative space. Director Michael Jones and other lab members greeted hundreds of visitors while giving them an up-close look at the lab.



Lab Director Michael Jones speaks with visitors in the Kautz-Uible Cryptoeconomics Lab during the grand opening of Digital Futures.

Kautz-Uible Pathways to Success Kicks Off

The United States Bureau of Labor Statistics projects the demand for trained, competent economists to grow 6% over the next decade— faster than average for similar occupations.

In partnership with global economic consulting firm Compass Lexecon, the Kautz-Uible Economics Institute aims to help meet that future demand of economists by attracting and developing a diverse talent pool right here in Cincinnati.

The Pathways to Success program supports students who belong to groups that have been historically underrepresented among economics majors at the University of Cincinnati. The institute offers mentoring, scholarships, and study-related travel opportunities while Compass Lexecon provides job-related training and internships so that participants are prepared for a highly rewarding career in economics.

The Kautz-Uible Economics Institute kicks off this exciting new program this fall and is proud to welcome its first member: Jada Culver. Read more about Jada below.



Kautz-Uible Pathways to Success Fellow and Lindner Business Honors student Jada Culver.

Introducing KU Pathways Fellow Jada Culver

Jada Culver radiates enthusiasm when chatting about the start of her first semester of college. "It's exciting. I feel like I'm starting a real journey," she remarks when asked to describe her Bearcat experience so far.

Originally from Indianapolis, Jada graduated from Pike High School in the top 30 of her class. Active in her school, she was also a member of the National Honor Society and took AP studio art, her favorite subject.

Having her pick of colleges, Jada ultimately chose the University of Cincinnati because of the built-in opportunities it afforded her. "They were just too good to pass up," she explains. One of those opportunities was the Kautz-Uible Economics Institute's Pathways to Success program and its emphasis on mentorship and connection.

Pair that with Jada's admiration for the field of economics, and the decision was set. "Economics is so interesting to me," she shares. "In a nutshell, it's basically the study of how the world works." She references the discipline's broad applications and the weight it puts on decision-making skills. A budding entrepreneur, Jada has already begun applying economic thinking through her own jewelry business, and she looks forward to exploring the field further during her time in the program.



Women in Economics Initiative Reframes Mentorship

Back in 2016, economics alumna, UC Foundation Trustee, and Norton Rose Fulbright Partner Amanda Wait (BA, '00) spearheaded the Kautz-Uible Women in Economics initiative with the mission of enriching the lives of economics students in the program. Shortly thereafter, she connected with fellow alumna and Head of Operational Resilience at CIBC Nandita Jena (MA, '03), who had already been mentoring students who crossed her path in Chicago, and the pair have grown the initiative into what it is today.

During their time at UC in the early '00s, Amanda explains that there were only about six or seven other women in the economics program—a much smaller number than other departments within the university. If the department had an initiative to show women students what they could accomplish with an economics degree, she surmised, a path forward could be created for other women students.

Fast forward to today, and that path is clear and thriving, thanks to Amanda and Nandita's dedication. The initiative supports formal educational opportunities for students, including popular bi-yearly panel sessions, but what was most special, the pair found, were the more informal mentoring relationships that organically developed as a result of the program. Amanda and Nandita approach this work with a new perspective on mentorship that aligns with the concept of netweaving, a term coined by Bob Littell who defines it as "the business version of paying it forward."

With netweaving, the focus is on building relationships and meaningful connections that are mutually beneficial. "People often think of mentoring as only a senior and junior," Amanda explains. "But I have created and made lifelong friendships at all levels."

"I love to talk to young minds," Nandita shares. "If I had only one piece of advice to give students, it would be to consciously cultivate the relationships around you. It's a very good habit that everyone should work on."

It's this emphasis on personal connection that can make all the difference in the lives of our students, and the reason why the UC economics community feels like a true community. "We will always make time for you," Nandita expresses when speaking about the students. "We're like a big family at the institute."

"The students are always inspired by Amanda and Nandita," Debashis remarks. "They are a true testament to the mission of the institute."



PHOTO CAPTIONS (clockwise from top left)

- 1: UC economics alumnae and KU Women in Economics co-founders Amanda Wait and Nandita Jena pictured together at the Economics Awards Banquet in Spring 2022.
- 2: Amanda and Nandita presenting to students at Lindner Hall during the Fall 2021 Women in Economics panel event.
- 3: Amanda and Nandita at a past Women in Economics panel event.
- 4: Amanda speaking with students in Fall 2021.
- 5: Nandita conversing with KU Amanda Wait Fellow Piper Magyaros during the 2022 Economics Homecoming event.

Undergraduate Spotlight: Brooke Doecker



Business Economics student Brooke Doecker, who collects pricing data on behalf of the institute for the Council for Community and Economic Research's Cost of Living Index.

As a Business Economics major with minors in Business Analytics and Marketing, Brooke Doecker has always found consumer behavior interesting—one of the reasons why she completed a merchandising internship with Kroger last fall. Eager to gain further research experience in this arena, she reached out to Dr. Michael Jones who connected her to the COLI project, otherwise known as the Cost of Living Index.

The Kautz-Uible Economics Institute—in partnership with REDI Cincinnati, the region's leading economic development group—collects samples of pricing data for over 60 goods and services from grocery stores, retail outlets, and other businesses across the city of Cincinnati. The data is then reviewed and published by the Council for Community and Economic Research (C2ER) on a quarterly basis, resulting in a useful resource for officials and citizens alike to make informed decisions regarding cost of living across the nation.

Being part of the project gives students like Brooke a chance to get familiar with one of the most important economic research practices: data collection. "This opportunity has given Brooke a behind-the-scenes look at how important economic indicators are generated," said Jones.

Now having completed two quarters of data collection, Brooke explains that the experience has sparked her curiosity about potential research questions that could be further explored. "It's so interesting to see how prices fluctuate as well as vary between locations across town," she explains. "COLI provides actual evidence of these occurrences."

In April, Brooke was awarded a KU Amanda Wait Research Fellowship for this current academic year. Her experience with the COLI project has allowed Brooke to gain insight into the process as she explores other research activities.

Graduate Spotlight: Alaina Monroe



Recent MS economics graduate Alaina Monroe, who was the first student to participate in the graduate program's study-abroad pilot in Austria.

Studying abroad was at the top of recent alumna Alaina Monroe's (BBA, '21; MS '22) college bucket list. As an undergrad in Lindner's economics program, she was enrolled in a study-abroad program set for March 2020, but it was abruptly canceled due to COVID-19.

After earning her BBA in 2020, Alaina enrolled in the Master's of Applied Economics program at Lindner. Still hopeful to study abroad, she reached out to Institute Director Michael Jones, who at the time was also the director of the graduate program. It just so happened that he was developing a graduate-level pilot program in Austria at Johannes Kepler University (JKU). Alaina applied and was accepted, making her the first economics graduate student to study there through this program. "Dr. Jones and the institute are a great resource for students trying to pursue international experience," Alaina remarks.

While abroad, Alaina engaged in meaningful educational experiences through which she was able to encounter unique perspectives on the course material. "At JKU, in my welfare economics class, I worked on a project that assessed the welfare implications of changes in top marginal tax rates," Alaina explained. "I'm very interested in research on wealth tax, inequality, and basically anything else that gets at the question of what's optimal when it comes to social planning. Studying in Europe heightened this even further as I was able to see very different approaches as compared to the US."

Now having graduated, Alaina speaks of her appreciation of economics "as a way to uncover truth and rationally assess policies that are typically clouded by political noise." She currently works as an analyst for economic consulting firm Compass Lexecon.

PhD Spotlight: Saani Rawat



Wolfgang Mayer PhD Scholar Saani Rawat, who recently explored the economic impact of COVID-19 on the healthcare sector.

COVID-19 has had a profound impact on all aspects of our society. Its drastic economic impact is a topic that piqued the interest of Wolfgang Mayer PhD Scholar Saani Rawat, an alumnus of Lindner's Applied Economics graduate program ('18) who is simultaneously pursuing a PhD in Economics as well as a Master's degree in Mathematics at the University of Cincinnati.

Using the Kautz-Uible Economics Institute's secure data lab, Saani worked with Drs. Michael Jones and David Brasington, analyzing a rich dataset provided by the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS). Having access to data for the entire state of Ohio, Saani was able to get a clear look into what was going on in regard to employment. "I was personally interested in the healthcare sector," Saani explains. "All other sectors were under restrictions due to the lockdown, but healthcare had to operate."

By calculating job creation, destruction, and reallocation rates and analyzing the disruption in labor markets caused by COVID-19, Saani ultimately concluded that the state's healthcare sector has not yet fully recovered from the lockdown, while differentiating which subsectors were impacted the most.

Saani's research culminated into the paper, "Impact of COVID-19 on Jobs in Ohio's Healthcare Sector," which is currently under review for the Ohio Journal of Public Health. The journal is published biannually by the Ohio Public Health Association, a regional body of the American Public Health Association.



Kautz-Uible Fellows Dinner

Each year, the Kautz-Uible Economics Institute treats its fellows and scholars to a delicious meal at an upscale restaurant for a chance to connect and get to know one another outside of the classroom.

This year, the group gathered at TRIO Bistro and was joined by Managing Director Debashis Pal, Institute Board Member Richard Curry and his son Max, Economics Department Head Iryna Topolyan, and alums Candice Matthews Brackeen (BA, '04) and Abdou Ndao (BBA, '20).



Photos: Kautz-Uible fellows and scholars enjoy a meal together at TRIO Bistro with members of the UC economics community.

Economics Society: A Platform for Student Connection and Professional Growth

The undergraduate Economics Society plays an integral part in the student experience, creating a platform for connection and professional growth. Current President Andrew Geers describes the society as “an environment where a group of like-minded students who are passionate about economics can foster relationships that allow them to learn and grow.” Andrew has been part of the society throughout his four years at Lindner, during which he has had the opportunity to be mentored both academically and professionally while also developing lifelong friendships. “The society has helped me get to the position to where I am today,” he expresses.

Looking ahead, Andrew shares his plans for the current academic year. “The executive team and I are planning to push the Economics Society into a more professional development-oriented direction,” he explains. To achieve this, the team is working to provide students with networking opportunities with potential employers, technical training sessions for software like Tableau, and a chance to practice interviewing skills.

The society's executive team is made up of President Andrew Geers, Vice President Julia Dean, Marketing Coordinator Amanda Rapien, Treasurer Kelly Roden, and Event/Alumni Coordinator Keya Nandi. Learn what the team is most excited for during the academic year below.



The Economics Society's executive team pictured at the institute's 2022 annual homecoming event.



Andrew Geers:

“Cool guest speakers, case studies, and technical training sessions.”



Julia Dean:

“Community strengthening within the society and seeing members connect outside of the classroom.”



Amanda Rapien:

“Seeing the passion for economics spread amongst our group of brilliant, driven individuals.”



Kelly Roden:

“Students to participate in debates and apply the lessons from the classroom to real-world discussions.”



Keya Nandi:

“Growing engagement amongst participants along with having interactive sessions to share our passion of economics.”

Economics Society Takes on DC

Each year, the Kautz-Uible Economics Institute sponsors an educational trip to a major US city. This past May, members of the Economics Society, along with UC Economics Professor and Institute Board Member Richard Curry, had the opportunity to travel to Washington, D.C. for an exciting week of enriching activities.

In line with the trip's theme of the broad applications of economics, the group visited UC alumni at their respective places of work, including Amanda Wait ('00, BA, Economics) at antitrust firm Norton Rose Fulbright and Joshua St. Pierre ('21, BA, International Relations & Affairs) at marketing and management consulting firm Statler Nagle LLC.

The travelers took part in company visits at Cura Strategies, a communications and public affairs company focused on healthcare and wellness, as well as economic consulting firm Compass Lexecon. They also had the opportunity to meet with two economists at the National Association for Business Economics (NABE): Tim Gill, chief economist of the American Iron and Steel Institute, and Mark Palim, the deputy chief economist of Fannie Mae.

Rounding out the experience, students had the chance to visit historical sights, such as The Library of Congress, several Smithsonian Museums, and a tour of the Capitol Building.



Members of the Economics Society pictured with Economics Professor Richard Curry during the 2022 Washington, DC trip.



STUDYING ABROAD

Kautz-Uible Fellows Andrew Geers and Heidi Reppart are spending this fall semester studying at the Norwegian School of Economics in Bergen, Norway.

Pictured above is Andrew on Mt. Ulriken. To the right, Andrew (far left) and Heidi (second from right) enjoy a hike of Mt. Fløyen with other UC students.





UC Economics Community Gathers at Homecoming Event

This past spring, the Kautz-Uible Economics Institute had the pleasure of gathering with economics students, faculty, alums, and friends at the Cincinnati Country Club for our annual homecoming event. It was a wonderful opportunity to reconnect after a long hiatus due to COVID-19.







Alumni Spotlight: Joni Lewis (BBA, '08)

Joni Lewis earned a BBA in Business Economics, Finance, and International Business from the University of Cincinnati in 2008.

Economics alumna Joni Lewis (BBA, '08) can clearly identify a few turning points that changed the trajectory of her life—one of the most significant being the guidance she received from UC Economics Professor Sourushe Zandvakili during her time in the program. She specifically recalls his question of—"Are you getting an MA in Econ or an MBA?" At the time, Joni says she never thought about getting an MBA. But that's exactly what she ended up doing. She enrolled in Indiana University a year after she graduated from UC. "That mentorship and guidance is something I value to this day," Joni says. "Professor Zandvakili encouraged me to go beyond and push further, and it's made such a difference in my life."

Now, an experienced finance professional with over 14 years of progressive experience, Joni is the VP of Finance and IT at BAND-IT, a business unit of IDEX Corporation. Throughout her career, she has stayed involved with the department, attending events and speaking at award ceremonies, always making herself available to students. Beginning in 2020, Joni established a named fellowship to support students going through the program.

"It's simple," Joni replies, when asked why she stays involved. "While I was a student in the Economics Department, there were a lot of professors and alumni that gave their time and knowledge to me, which I benefited greatly from. It's important for me to give back."

Joni expresses that the institute's presence within the Lindner College of Business is hugely beneficial to students because it provides them with meaningful outside-of-the-classroom opportunities through which they are able to practice applying what they're learning through their studies. "The institute teaches students how to put all the pieces together," Joni explains, resulting in a well-rounded education of practical and analytical experience.

"That mentorship and guidance is something I value to this day."

-Joni Lewis, on her experience in the UC economics program

PHOTO CAPTIONS

Left: Joni Lewis embraces her mentor and former professor Sourushe Zandvakili at the 2022 Economics Awards Banquet.

Middle: Joni speaking with students at the 2022 Economics Homecoming event.

Right: Joni addressing the audience as a guest speaker during the 2022 Economics Awards Banquet.



Institute Fellow Spotlight: Dipanjan Chatterjee

The Kautz-Uible Economics Institute fellows are industry thought leaders and dedicated to the mission of the institute. Learn more about Institute Fellow Dipanjan Chatterjee, vice president and principal analyst at leading market research company Forrester, below.

Dipanjan Chatterjee describes his involvement with the institute as *serendipitous*. Although they only live miles apart in Cincinnati, OH, he ran into Institute Managing Director Debashis Pal, PhD, purely by accident—in an airport lounge in Paris. Both on layovers on their way to separate European destinations, they struck up a conversation while waiting for their respective flights.

It just so happened that the pair had much in common. Dr. Pal is highly involved within the UC economics community, and Dipanjan's academic background is in economics, having graduated with a BA from Amherst College and an MBA from the University of Chicago. At the time, Dipanjan recalls that he was dabbling in academia, teaching a course at Xavier University.

Back in Cincinnati, Dr. Pal invited Dipanjan to give a presentation to UC economics students about his time at Forrester and career tracks for economics students. This experience paved the way for his formal and ongoing involvement, ultimately leading to his being named an institute fellow last year.

In Fall '21, Dipanjan began his first official mentoring role as an institute fellow, as he oversaw Business Economics student Kellie Hannan's research project, *Managing Brand in the Face of Crisis*. Through a series of in-depth case studies, the pair explored the impact that scandal can have on the long-term health of companies. The experience was a rewarding one for Kellie, who noted, "Dipanjan taught me a tremendous amount as I worked to explore our central question and eventually finalize an academic paper and presentation unlike any I had given before."

The institute makes it possible for economics students like Kellie to learn from people like Dipanjan, who are highly experienced in the professional sphere. Dipanjan describes his mentorship style as "a hybrid academic-professional approach." Building on what students learn in the classroom, he encourages them to think through questions like: How would someone working in the industry present their research to diverse audiences? "It's a different set of muscles," he explains. "As a fellow, I want to help foster a love for economic thinking, while also giving students a sense of preparedness for their professional careers, creating an environment where this can happen in a very positive manner."

PHOTO CAPTIONS

Left: Dipanjan Chatterjee speaking at a Forrester conference.

Right: Dipanjan pictured with research mentee Kellie Hannan after her research presentation in December 2021.

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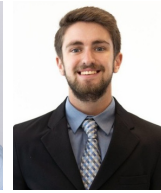
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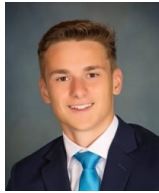
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