

News from The University of Arizona

Graduate Interdisciplinary Program in STATISTICS

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- GIDP Executive Committee member **Keisuke Hirano** has been named Co-Editor-Elect of the *Journal of Business and Economic Statistics*. *JBES* is a leading, peer-reviewed, scientific journal in econometrics and economic statistics, with a long history of producing articles of the highest quality and impact. The Journal is published by the American Statistical Association (ASA), the nation's preeminent statistical society; further details on the editorial appointment are available at <http://www.amstat.org/about/pressreleases/ASANamesJournalEditors.pdf>. Dr. Hirano's term begins July 1, 2009. We offer him our highest congratulations!
- GIDP graduate student **John Bear** has been awarded the inaugural **First-Year Student Award in Statistics**, by the GIDP's Executive Committee. The award recognizes superior academic achievement by a Statistics student completing her/his first year. John will receive a certificate to mark the award along with a small cash prize. Congratulations to John for work well done!
- GIDP faculty member **Lingling An** has received the I.W. Burr Award from Purdue University. This award recognizes outstanding Ph.D. graduates from the Statistics Program at Purdue who show contributions to the profession as evidenced by academic excellence, quality of the thesis research, and excellence in teaching or consulting. The award is named after Professor I.W. Burr who taught at Purdue for 35 years and whose work and reputation helped transform Purdue from a regional college to a national research university. Heartiest congratulations to Professor An!
- GIDP Executive Committee member **Joseph C. Watkins** has been named a 2009 Galileo Circle Fellow by the University's College of Science. The Galileo Circle recognizes outstanding accomplishments in academic scholarship and Fellowships therein are some of the highest honors the College of Science bestows on its faculty. Congratulations to Dr. Watkins!

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