Where to Now?

Examining the CoB Departure of Akbar Marvasti

As the CoB's economists depart the Joseph Greene Hall stage at the end of the 2009-10 academic year, USMNEWS.net will be examining the research credentials that will be leaving the CoB, if not the institution as a whole. This installment focuses on professor <u>Akbar Marvasti</u>, who is one of the four mostly "junior" economists who were saved by the forced retirements of five mostly senior CoB economists. What will the CoB (USM) lose with Marvasti's departure? On the research front, the answer is in Table 1 below.

Table 1 – Marvasti's Journal Publications Trail

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Year	Journal Publications
2010	Applied Economics
2009	
2008	
2007	The American Economist
2006	Eastern Economic Journal
	Pacific Economic Review
2005	Economic Inquiry
	Journal of Economic Issues
2004	
2003	
2002	
2001	Applied Economics Letters
	Review of Industrial Organization
2000	Environmental & Resource Economics
	International Journal of the Economics of Business
	Quality & Quantity
1999	Economics Letters
1998	Applied Economics
	Ocean & Coastal Management
1997	
1996	Environmental & Resource Economics
1995	
1994	Journal of Cultural Economics
	Journal of Economic Issues
1993	
1992	Journal of Economic Issues
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1990	
1989	Marine Technology Society Journal
	Ocean Development & International Law
1988	Journal of Policy Modeling
1987	Marine Mining
1986	
1985	
1984	

The information in Table 1 above provides a mixed picture for Marvasti. With 22 publications, Marvasti lags behind George Carter and Edward Nissan. However, Marvasti's quality exceeds that of each of these two other departing CoB economists. As it stands, Marvasti quite possibly has the top record in economics today, including all nine economists currently employed. Given the Table 1 list above, this is not a laudable mark for USM's ECO group. Finally, Marvasti also leads others in ECO in terms of scandals. Some of these are detailed in <u>All Eyes on Akbar, Dean Nail I Need Money</u>, and <u>Prince Akbar</u>. This is just a beginning. For more, visit the USMNEWS.net Archives.