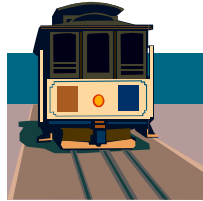


# ASSA

## INVITATION TO ATTEND THE 2009 ANNUAL CONVENTION ALLIED SOCIAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATIONS



**SAN FRANCISCO, CA  
JANUARY 3-5, 2009**

**\*\*SATURDAY, SUNDAY & MONDAY\*\***

### **MEETING FACILITIES**

The headquarters hotel is the Hilton San Francisco. Sessions are also in the San Francisco Marriott, and the Westin St. Francis. The AEA Continuing Education Program is located in the Grand Hyatt, January 5-7. Registration and Exhibits are located in the Hilton San Francisco. Interview tables are located in the San Francisco Marriott. Sessions begin Saturday, January 3 at 8:00 a.m. and run until 3:00 p.m. on Monday, January 5.

### **PRELIMINARY PROGRAMS**

The entire preliminary program is on the AEA website at [www.vanderbilt.edu/AEA](http://www.vanderbilt.edu/AEA) starting in September. An update is made in November only.

### **REGISTRATION**

You must register and pay the registration fee before booking a room. The five digit registration ID number is needed to book a room or suite. Once registration payment is received, you will get an email confirmation, registration ID number, housing form, and link to housing. See housing instructions. Everyone must register, including speakers and discussants. Badges are required for admission to all sessions and activities. Pick up your registration packet at the Hilton San Francisco, Grand Ballroom-Salon A, Building 2, "GB" Grand Ballroom Level. On-Site and Advance Registration Booths will be open as follows:

Friday, January 2.....	2:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.*
Saturday, January 3.....	7:45 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.*
Sunday, January 4.....	8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.*
Monday, January 5.....	8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (Green Room, Building 2, Ballroom Level)

\*The on-site registration line will be closed off fifteen minutes prior to closing of each day. Early registration fee (received by November 21) for AEA members is \$60.00. Early registration fee for non-AEA members is \$75.00. Registration fee after November 21 and on-site registration is \$125.00 for AEA members or non-AEA members. Online registration is the only option after November 21.

### **REGISTRATION CONFIRMATIONS**

If you register online you will get an email confirmation within a few minutes, faxed registration forms take up to three days, and mailed in forms take up to two weeks to process. Confirmations are emailed when email addresses are provided. If you do not receive a confirmation within this time frame email us at [ASSA@vanderbilt.edu](mailto:ASSA@vanderbilt.edu). Check your confirmation for name and affiliation accuracy. If any corrections are required, fax changes to 615.343.2986, email to [ASSA@vanderbilt.edu](mailto:ASSA@vanderbilt.edu), or mail to the ASSA Registration Office, 2014 Broadway, Suite 305, Nashville, TN 37203. We recommend you bring your confirmation when picking up your packet at the Hilton San Francisco. A receipt is included in each participant's packet.

### **REFUNDS**

In order to process refunds for pre-registration you must forward a copy of your hotel room or suite cancellation notice to ASSA. We must receive your request in writing by November 21 to the address or fax number under "Registration Confirmations" or email it to [assa@vanderbilt.edu](mailto:assa@vanderbilt.edu).

### **AEA CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAM**

Starting in 2009, the AEA will offer a set of three "continuing education" programs scheduled immediately following the ASSA Meetings. The programs are designed to help mid-career economists with heavy teaching loads or considerable administrative responsibilities maintain the value of their human capital. They are tailored to faculty at liberal arts colleges and teaching-oriented state universities that usually have fewer research opportunities than colleagues at universities with Ph.D. programs in economics. The lecturers are leading scholars in their fields who are excellent expositors. The focus is on content to help improve both teaching and research. See the AEA Continuing Education link for more details.

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## PROFESSIONAL PLACEMENT SERVICE

Information and procedures for both employers and job seekers on how to use the professional placement service for both academic and non-academic positions are included in this booklet. The placement center and interview tables are located in the Golden Gate Hall, San Francisco Marriott, January 2nd through 5th and will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. each day. **Illinois Skills Match (ISM)** provides self-service matching of qualified candidates to both academic and non-academic job postings with follow-up assistance from trained ISM staff to maximize your success. The professional placement service is conducted and sponsored free of charge through the efforts of the Illinois Department of Employment Security and AEA.

## HOTEL DIRECTORY

The directory of participants is generated from the hotel reservation form. You must be registered and make your hotel reservations through the ASSA official housing company by November 21st to be listed in the directory. If you are not staying in one of the convention hotels, you may send a phone number where you can be reached during the meetings to the ASSA Registration Office in Nashville by November 21st. Send the phone number in a separate letter along with your registration form. You may also email your location to [assa@vanderbilt.edu](mailto:assa@vanderbilt.edu).

## PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

If you need disability aids or services to fully participate in the meetings, contact the ASSA Registration Office at 615-322-3509 by December 5. If you need a specially equipped sleeping room, inform the Housing Bureau when making your hotel reservation.

## WELCOME RECEPTION

Plan to attend the Ninth Annual "ASSA Welcome Reception," January 2, 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., Hilton San Francisco. If you RSVP on the registration form you will receive a free drink coupon in your registration packet for the reception. Mark the box only if you plan to attend. This will help keep the cost down. There will be heavy hors d'oeuvres and live entertainment.

## SPOUSE OR GUEST

There is no spouse program. Spouses or guests wishing to attend any of the meetings may register by November 21st for \$35.00. After November 21st and on-site registration fee is \$55.00. If your spouse or guest needs an affiliation on his/her badge, he/she must register separately and pay the full fee.

## CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

KiddieCorp will provide a professional children's program at the Hilton San Francisco. You may print out a registration form at [www.vanderbilt.edu/AEA](http://www.vanderbilt.edu/AEA) or register online at <https://www.kiddiecorp.com/assakids.htm>.

## EXHIBITS

Exhibits are located in the Hilton San Francisco, Grand Ballroom-Salon B, Building 2, "GB" Grand Ballroom Level. The hours will be:

Saturday, January 3.....9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.  
 Sunday, January 4.....9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
 Monday, January 5.....9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

## CAR RENTAL

Special discounted rates arranged through **Avis Rent A Car** are as follows: \$21 day/weekend, \$36 day/weekday or \$144/week for subcompact, \$23 day/weekend, \$41 day/weekday or \$154/week for compact, \$25 day/weekend, \$46 day/weekday or \$175/week for intermediate, \$28 day/weekend, \$48 day/weekday or \$185/week for full size 2-door, \$31 day/weekend, \$51 day/weekday or \$196/week for full size 4-door, \$39 day/weekend, \$57 day/weekday or \$257/week for premium, \$63 day/weekend, \$83 day/weekday or \$350/week for luxury, \$60 day, or \$302/week for mini van, \$57 day, or \$288/week for sport utility, \$57 day, or \$290/week for convertible. Weekend daily rates are available from noon Thursday – Monday at 11:59 p.m. Should a lower qualifying rate become available, Avis is pleased to present a 5% discount off the lower qualifying rate or the meeting rate, whichever is lowest. These rates are available December 26, 2008– January 12, 2009 and include UNLIMITED FREE MILEAGE. Gas, tax and optional insurance coverage are extra. Return to the same renting location or additional surcharges may apply. To make reservations, call Avis at 1-800-331-1600 and request Avis Worldwide Discount (AWD) number **J947275**. You may also reserve a car on-line at <http://tinurl.com/54wahx>. Avis meeting rates will apply at all San Francisco locations, as well as San Jose, CA Airport and Oakland Airport. An advance reservation is recommended.

## PARKING

Hotel parking rates range between \$39-\$59 plus tax per 24 hours. Parking rates are subject to change without notice. See link for other parking options.

## SHUTTLE

ASSA will run a continuous shuttle bus from the Hilton San Francisco to Nob Hill to facilitate job candidate movement. We will also run a shuttle bus from the Hyatt Regency at Embarcadero to the Hilton San Francisco in the mornings and afternoons. All other hotels are within walking distance.

## BART TRANSIT AND CABLE CARS

BART Transit hours are Monday-Friday, 4am to midnight, Saturdays, 6am to midnight, and Sunday, 8am-midnight. Fares are based on how far you travel. Hyatt Regency Embarcadero to the Hilton San Francisco is \$1.50 one-way. For more details and schedules go to [www.bart.gov](http://www.bart.gov). There are basically three routes for the San Francisco cable cars. At Powell and Market streets, there is a cable car turntable which serves as the beginning stop for two lines, the Powell-Mason and Powell-Hyde. Both lines run from there up and over Nob Hill to Fisherman's Wharf, but at different areas, and the routes are significantly different. The California line runs East-West from the Hyatt Regency Embarcadero, through Chinatown, over Nob Hill and stops at Van Ness Avenue. Cable cars operate every day from 6am in the morning until 1am. Fares are \$3.00 each way. A one day pass is \$9 and a three day pass is \$15.

## AIR TRANSPORTATION

Discounted fares are available through **SAILAIR TRAVEL**, the official travel agency for ASSA. For reservations call 1.800.759.5800 or 615.297.9200. Sailair Travel provides free flight insurance of \$100,000, seat assignments, schedule change notices, and assistance with any difficulties before, during and after travel. A \$35.00 service charge will apply. Reservation hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. central time, Monday through Friday.

## AIRPORT/HOTEL TRANSPORTATION

SAN FRANCISCO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (SFO)		OAKLAND INTERNATIONAL (OAK)	
Distance to downtown	14 miles	Distance to downtown	20 miles
Taxi to downtown takes 20-40 minutes	\$40-\$45	Taxi to downtown takes 30-60+ minutes (depending on traffic)	\$48-\$65
SuperShuttle ( <a href="http://www.supershuttle.com">www.supershuttle.com</a> —discount code CJLJD)	\$17.00	SuperShuttle ( <a href="http://www.supershuttle.com">www.supershuttle.com</a> —discount code CJLJD)	\$27.00
BART Transit ( <a href="http://www.bart.gov">www.bart.gov</a> )	\$ 5.35	BART ( <a href="http://www.bart.gov">www.bart.gov</a> ) AirBART to BART takes 15 minutes & cost \$3.00	\$ 3.55 \$ 3.00