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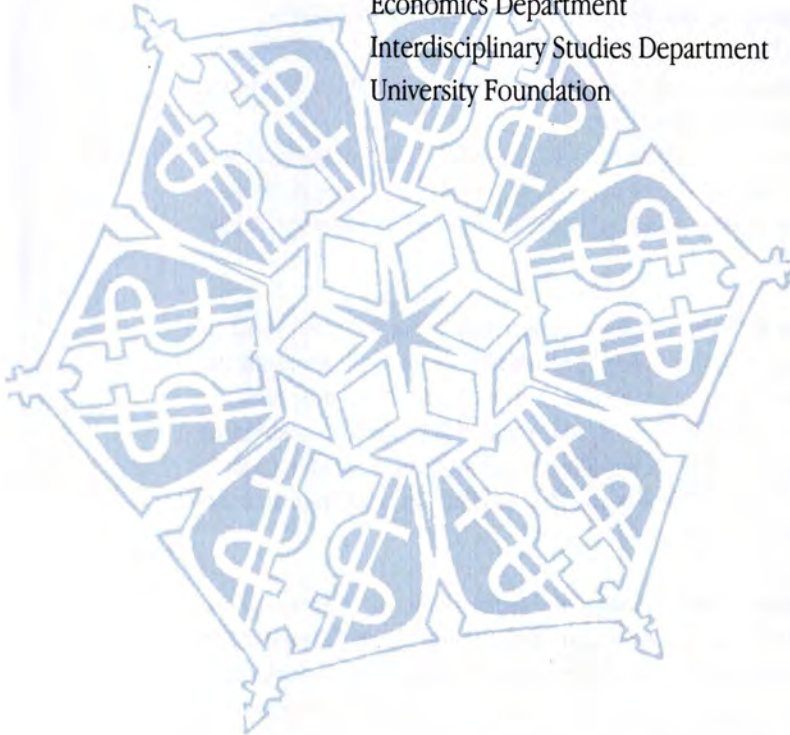
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The two dominant policy issues of the '90s . . .

Health Care Reform: *The Major Issues*

Trade and Environmental Policy: *The New Connection*



Friday, February 4, 1994
Atwood Center Ballroom
St. Cloud State University
8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

PROGRAM

- 8:30 Registration
Atwood Center Ballroom
- 9:00 Greetings and Introductions
Robert Bess, President, SCSU
Patrick Wight, Chair, Student Finance Committee
- 9:10 "Health Care Reform: The Major Issues"
Joshua M. Wiener
- 10:10 "Trade and Environmental Policy:
The New Connection"
C. Ford Runge
- 11:10 Reaction Panel
Patricia A. Nold, Moderator
Richard A. MacDonald
Jenny B. Wahl
- 12:00 Buffet Lunch (reservations required)

SPEAKERS

Joshua M. Wiener is a Senior Fellow in the Economics Studies Program at The Brookings Institution where he specializes in health policy issues. In 1993 he worked for the White House Task Force on National Health Care Reform. He is co-author or editor of four books on health care issues including, *Sharing the Burden: Strategies for Public and Private Long-Term Care Insurance*, February 1994. In addition he has published numerous journal articles on the financing, reimbursement, and delivery of long-term care and health reform.

Prior to coming to Brookings, Wiener did policy analysis and research for the Health Care Financing Administration, the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, the Congressional Budget Office, the New York State Moreland Act Commission on Nursing Homes and Residential Facilities, and the New York City Department of Health. He received his B.A. from the University of Chicago and his Ph.D. from Harvard University.

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Runge was a special assistant to the U.S. Ambassador to the General Agreement on Trade and Tariffs (GATT) in Geneva in 1989. He served as the first director of the Center for International Food and Agricultural Policy at the University of Minnesota. As a Fulbright Research Fellow, he did research on European trade reform and environmental policy. His publications include four books and a wide range of articles concentrating on trade and natural resource policy. His latest book, *Freer Trade, Protected Environment: Balancing Trade Liberalization and Environmental Integrity*, will be published in 1994 by the Council on Foreign Affairs.

Runge was selected as a Rhodes Scholar after completing his undergraduate degree at the University of North Carolina. He received his Ph.D. in agricultural economics at the University of Wisconsin.

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