

New Orleans Regional Council for Business Economics
2020-2021 Program Meeting Dates

NOTE: Because of Covid-19 and the limitations on personal contact to protect individuals from infection, we have moved our presentations to ZOOM. Before each meeting, members and non-members will receive a message from the organization president identifying the speaker, meeting data, meeting time and ZOOM ID and password. Therefore, to attend the meeting you will need to download a free version of ZOOM, and place it on your device.

We look forward to attracting as many users as possible to continue our discussions on issues facing the New Orleans MSA, the State and the U.S.

Meeting days and time may vary during the Zoom meeting programs. Check meeting schedule in the message announcement sent by the organization president.

Tuesday, September 22, 2020

SPEAKER: GREG ALBRECHT, CHIEF ECONOMIST, LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE

TOPIC: "Louisiana's Budget: Current Situation and Fiscal Outlook"

Tuesday, October 13, 2020

SPEAKER: MICHELLE GANNON, CHIEF OF STAFF AND VICE-PRESIDENT OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS, PORT OF NEW ORLEANS

TOPIC: "The Present State and Future of The Port of New Orleans and the Impact on the Regional Economy"

Tuesday, November 10, 2020

SPEAKER: ROB LALKA, PH.D., EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, LEPAGE CENTER, SCHOOL OF BUSINESS, TULANE UNIVERSITY

TOPIC: "2020 Greater New Orleans Startup Report" This report looks at Innovation, Survivability and Racial and Economic Diversity of Start-Up Businesses in the GNO area.

December: No Meetings

Tuesday, January 12, 2021

SPEAKER: STAN HARRIS, PRESIDENT AND CEO, LOUISIANA RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION

TOPIC: "COVID-19 and its Impact on the Restaurant Business"

Tuesday, February 9, 2021

Speaker: Dr. Calvin Mackie, CEO of STEM NOLA, a non-profit organization to inspire and engage communities in learning opportunities in STEM

Topic: "Opening the minds of students to opportunities in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM)"

Tuesday, March 9, 2021

Speaker: Dr. Jay Brinkmann retired as the chief economist of the Mortgage Bankers Association and is a longtime member of the New Orleans Regional Council of Business Economic.

Topic: "Overview of the current housing market"

Tuesday, April 13, 2021

SPEAKER: MAVIS EARLY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, GREATER NEW ORLEANS HOTEL AND LODGING ASSOCIATION

TOPIC: "Greater New Orleans Hotel Industry Outlook in 2021: Recovery?"

Tuesday, May 11, 2021

SPEAKER: JOHN C. ROBERTSON, PH.D., VICE-PRESIDENT AND SENIOR MONETARY POLICY ECONOMIST,

TOPIC: "U.S. Economic Outlook"

**June, July And August
Summer Break**