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Hammond Institute Hosts Next Langenberg Speaker Event on February 18, 2020 at MAC-West

Session to feature Michael Podgursky from Saint Louis University

WHO: The Hammond Institute for Free Enterprise at Lindenwood University will host its next event of the [H. F. Langenberg Memorial Speaker Series](#). Members of the local community, faculty, staff, and students will have an opportunity to participate in this long-standing St. Louis tradition, formerly known as The Discussion Club.

The evening event will feature [Michael Podgursky](#), Director of the [Sinquefeld Center for Applied Economic Research](#) at Saint Louis University, will present on the topic: - *Public Sector Pensions in Missouri: We're Not Illinois, But It's Worse Than It Looks.* - [Dr. Tawni Hunt Ferrarini](#), associate director of the Hammond Institute and director of the Economic Education Center at Lindenwood University, will serve as event moderator.

WHAT: [***Public Sector Pensions in Missouri: We're Not Illinois, But It's Worse Than It Looks***](#) -- This upcoming discussion topic, sponsored and moderated by the Hammond Institute for Free Enterprise, is free and open to the general public. *Featuring:* **Michael Podgursky** – his primary research focus is the economics of education, training, and labor markets, which he has published many scholarly, academic articles and policy reports on. He serves on the board of editors of several academic journals, advisory boards for various statistical agencies, research institutes, and education organizations, and he was a fellow of the George W. Bush Institute from 2010-2013. Prior to coming to SLU in 2019, he spent 23 years on the faculty at the University of Missouri-Columbia, where he served as Chair of the Economics Department from 1995-2005.

WHERE & [**Missouri Athletic Club – West Clubhouse**](#) (1777 Des Peres Road, Town & Country, MO 63131 - <http://www.mac-stl.org>) – *Event to be held in the Town & Country Room.*

WHEN: **Tuesday, February 18** – Doors open at 5:30 p.m.; Program begins at 6 p.m. with a cocktail hour at 7 p.m. (hors d'oeuvres and cash bar).

ALSO: Additional event information is available online at www.HammondInstitute.org (refer to [Upcoming Events](#) from the home page). For questions, please call Carol Felzien at the Hammond Institute by dialing 636-627-2915 or connect via email at CFelzien@lindenwood.edu.

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