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PRESENTATION BY IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY "ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND JOB CREATION: IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY ALUMNI 1982-2006 – A PROGRESS REPORT"

Action Requested: Receive the presentation.

Executive Summary: Dr. Peter Orazem will discuss Iowa State University's Alumni Survey. Dr. Orazem and his colleagues are working on several questions about the success of ISU's alumni in their professions and in life. He will focus on factors about ISU alumni, the courses they took, their majors that led to a higher probability they will stay in Iowa, become entrepreneurs, and create jobs in Iowa.

Dr. Orazem is University Professor of Economics in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. He specializes in economic studies of labor and migration; his research interests include labor economics, human capital investment, entrepreneurship, developing and transition economies, rural labor markets, policy evaluation, and applied econometrics. Dr. Orazem has a Bachelor's degree from the University of Kansas, and Master's and Ph.D. from Yale University. He has been a faculty member at lowa State University since 1982.