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Kenneth Chilton has joined the management division faculty at Lindenwood University. Chilton, a longtime researcher and administrator for the Center for the Study of American Business at Washington University, will direct a new institute for the Study of Economics and the Environment (ISEE) at Lindenwood.

"We are pleased to have Ken join our faculty," said Lindenwood President Dennis Spellmann. "His credentials are impressive, and our new institute will meld perfectly with the Center for the Study of American Culture and Values at the Daniel Boone Home."

According to ISEE's new director, there is a connection between environmental stewardship and economics that goes back to America's founding and remains strong today. "For example," Chilton said, "Daniel Boone and Nathan Boone were stewards of the land, but they didn't come to Missouri just to commune with nature. They came to improve their economic circumstances--to make use of the natural endowments of the Femme Osage Valley."

A prime objective of ISEE is to improve student and public understanding of the basic economic concepts that can be used to guide effective environmental policymaking. Seminars and lectures will be organized to engage students, faculty and others in discussion of the interplay of America's private enterprise economy and environmental protection. Chilton will be teaching a new course in "economics and the environment" as well as teaching a course in microeconomics and an MBA course in organizational behavior.

Chilton is a contributing editor of two books and editor of two others. In addition to his more than two decades of research and writing on environmental issues, he has written extensively on organizational change. In the mid-1990s, he and his longtime mentor, Murray Weidenbaum, co-directed a three-year research project on "The Dynamic American Firm."

Chilton received his Ph.D. in business administration from Washington University in 1994 and an M.S. in Management Science from Northwestern University in 1968. He and his wife of 36 years, Linda, live in Lake Saint Louis.

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