

CONGRATULATIONS !!!



Professors Scott Holan, Christopher Wikle, and Noel Cressie are co-awardees of the American Statistical Association’s 2017 Statistical Partnership Among Academe, Industry, and Government Award ([SPAIG Award](#)).

The National Science Foundation-Census Research Network ([NCRN](#)), established in 2011, has been awarded the 2017 SPAIG Award. The Missouri node of NCRN, called [STSN](#) (the Spatio-Temporal Statistics NSF-Census Research Network), is led by Professors Scott Holan (PI), Christopher Wikle (Co-PI), and Noel Cressie (Co-PI) and comprises a team of investigators, postdocs, and students. STSN is advancing methodological research through the use of hierarchical spatio-temporal statistical modeling applied to questions that are important to the U.S. Census Bureau, the Federal Statistical System, as well as the larger social science and statistics research community. Emphasis has been placed on applications to the American Community Survey (ACS). To date, the NCRN is tackling “challenging issues that could not have been addressed so productively by either academic or government researchers acting on their own,” said Prof. Sarah Nusser, Vice-President for Research at Iowa State University. Further, Dr. Nancy Potok, Chief Statistician of the United States, stated that “the collaboration has been highly successful”.

The NCRN is made up of [eight nodes principally at universities](#) (Carnegie Mellon University, University of Colorado joint with the University of Tennessee, Cornell University, Duke University joint with the National Institute of Statistical Science, University of Michigan, University of Missouri, University of Nebraska, and Northwestern University) and the United States Census Bureau.