A Newsletter of the Economics Graduate Program

Calendar Events

Academic Calendar for Graduate Students

www.ncsu.edu/grad/faculty-and-staff/calendars.html

January 6, 2014 Mon - First Day of Classes
Jan 10, Fri - Last day to add a course without permission of Instructor
Jan 15, Wed - ETD Workshop at ITTC Lab, D. H. Hill Library, Time-see online calendar
Jan 17, Fri – Census Day, Deadline for residency reclass. App for Spring, Last day to drop a course, or change from credit to audit with tuition adjustment, Last day to enroll or add a course, GSSP Min. Reg. Requirement Deadline
Jan 20, Mon – Holiday (Martin Luther King, Jr. Day) University Closed
Jan 28, Tue – ETD Workshop at ITTC Lab, H. H. Hill Library, Time see online calendar

Announcements, Recognitions and Awards

In conjunction with the Economics Department, Agricultural and Resource Economics would like to welcome our newest faculty member, Zachary Brown. Zack comes to NCSU from the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development in Paris, France. In addition to France, Zack has also worked at Duke Global Health Institute. He will begin teaching the Master's Level Environmental and Resource Economics (ECG 515) this 2014 Spring Semester and will also be working with the Genetic Engineering and Society Program. Please join us in welcoming Zack to the Wolfpack!

Publications


Presentations

None to report.
Milestones
Students passing the final oral for Ph. D in Economics
Xiaoyan Tang, December 9, 2013

Students passing the preliminary oral for Ph. D. in Economics
Steven Dundas, December 12, 2013

Congratulations!

Fall 2013 Workshops

Agricultural Economics Workshops

None to report.

All workshops are in Nelson 4210, 3:00-4:15 unless otherwise specified. Graduate students: We have a pre-workshop meeting the day before each workshop to discuss the coming paper. If you are interested in participating, contact: Tom_vukina@ncsu.edu. Web page: http://www.ag-econ.ncsu.edu/faculty/vukina/vukina.htm

Papers will be posted as they become available at the Ag. Econ. Workshop web page: http://www.ag-econ.ncsu.edu/index.html

Applied Microeconomics & Industrial Organization Workshop

None to report.

Organizers: Melinda Morrill, Melinda_morrill@ncsu.edu; Bob Hammond, Robert_hammond@ncsu.edu; Thayer Morrill, Thayer_morrill@ncsu.edu.

All workshops will be held in Nelson 4210, 3:00-4:15pm on Wednesdays. A happy hour immediately following the seminar which all are encouraged to attend. Webpage: http://www4.ncsu.edu/~rghammon/workshop.html

CEnREP Lunch Colloquium
None to report.

All talks are from noon to 1pm, and feel free to bring your lunch. Boris will lead off this Friday, although the chaos that comes with the start of the school year has prevented me from securing a workshop room. I will pass along this information as soon as I have it, hopefully by the end of the day Tuesday.

The latest semester schedule will soon be posted to the CEnREP web page:

http://www.ncsu.edu/cenrep/workshops/colloquia.php

The schedule for this semester's colloquium sponsored by the Center for Environmental and Resource Economic Policy (CEnREP). This lunch-time colloquium is designed to give students and faculty a forum for presenting and receiving early feedback on work relating to environmental and natural resource management. The colloquium is also a great opportunity for students to learn about the research relating to environmental and natural resource economics that is ongoing by students and faculty at NCSU.

Laura O. Taylor, Director, Center for Environmental and Resource Economics Policy (www.ncsu.edu/cenrep) Professor, Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics, NCSU

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**Econometrics Workshop**

**Spring 2014**

- March 27 (TEW, hosted by Duke): Rong Chen (Rutgers).

The titles and papers will be available at http://www4.ncsu.edu/~dpellet/workshop as they become available. The NCSU regular workshop is held in the usual room, i.e. Nelson 4210, from 3:00pm to 4:15pm. As for the Triangle Econometrics Workshop (TEW), it is back to the National Institute of Statistical Sciences (NISS) from 3:30pm to 5:00pm. Driving directions are available on the website.

Copies of the papers, when available, will be posted on the Econometrics workshop’s webpage http://www.4.ncsu.edu/~dpellet/workshop/index.html

None to report.

**Finance Workshops Series**

January 10, 2014 Nickolay Gantchev and Chotibhak Jotikasthira, UNC-Chapel Hill
3:00 – 4:30pm, Nelson 4210
Governance under the Gun: Spillover Effects of Hedge Fund Activism
January 31, 2014
Evan Dudley, University of Florida
3:00 – 4:30pm, Nelson 4210
Capital-Structure Changes around IPOs

Finance Workshop Series
Organizer: Karlyn Mitchell

Graduate Student Academic Year Workshop
Fridays from 3-4:15pm in Nelson 4210.

To sign up for a slot, please email Prof. Melinda Morrill (melinda_morrill@ncsu.edu) with your preferred date(s), the type of presentation (30 minute or 1 hour 15 minute), your main advisor(s), and your title/topic. The schedule will be posted at (http://www4.ncsu.edu/~msmorril/NCSU_GradWorkshop.html) and will be updated continuously.

Graduate students are encouraged to present work at any stage. For very early-stage work, students should elect for 30 minute slots. The 1 hour 15 minute slots are reserved for work that is closer to completion. For either type of workshop, students are required to prepare slides and a formal presentation.
Students must register for a slot at least two weeks in advance so that the classroom can be reserved. Prior to signing up for a slot, students should consult with at least one faculty member. Students are responsible for making sure their main advisor and at least one other faculty member in their area of interest are available and willing to attend “prior” to requesting a date.
A schedule of all student presentations will be posted. Students presenting should send out one email advertising their talk about 4 days in advance. The email should be sent to graduate students and faculty members in the Economics and ARE departments.

Macro/International seminar
None to report.

Organizers: (Macro) Nora Traum & Giuseppe Fiori and (International Trade) Ivan Kandilov
All seminars start at 3:00 p.m. in 4210 Nelson Hall unless otherwise indicated.
The Tree Seminar Series:

January 16, 2014, Eli Fenichel, Yale University
February 13, 2014, Rob Johnston, Clark University
March 6, 2014, Catherine Kling, Iowa State University
March 27, 2014, Andrew Yates, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
April 10, 2014, Jennifer Alix-Garcia, University of Wisconsin-Madison

All seminars are at 3:15pm on the RTI campus. Papers and further details for each seminar will be posted as soon as possible at the TREE website: http://www.ncsu.edu/cenrep/workshops/TREE/index.php. If you would like to subscribe/unsubscribe to this list, please email env_econ@ncsu.edu.

We look forward to seeing you at the seminars. Marty Smith (marsmith@duke.edu), Roger von Haefen (rhhaefen@ncsu.edu) & Chris Timmins (christopher.timmins@duke.edu) if you have any questions.

CEnREP has joined with RTI International and Duke University to present the Triangle Resource and Environmental Economics Seminar Series. Support for the workshops is provided by the Department of Agricultural and Resources Economics and the Department of Economics at NC State University, RTI International and Duke University. Prominent speakers are brought in from universities throughout the nation as well as government agencies to speak on topics of current interest. Workshops are held on the campus of RTI International in Research Triangle Park (map). The workshops are coordinated by Dan Phaneuf, CEnREP Associate Director, George Van Houtven of RTI International, and Marty Smith of Duke University.

WARNING ABOUT SECURITY PROCEDURES AT RTI! The gates at the two main entrances are working 24/7 (instead of just after office hours). Visitors should use the intercom at the gate and tell the security person they are at RTI for the TREE seminar. That should be enough to get them inside the campus and from there everything should be business as usual. If there are any problems at the gate, visitors should ask for Melissa Jessup (x7137) or for George Van Houtven (x7150).

For the most current information please visit the CEnREP website: http://www.ncsu.edu/cenrep/workshops/TREE/index.php
Triangle Economic History Workshop

None to report.

Additional information contact Lee Craig, Lee_Craig@ncsu.edu

Wells Fargo Executive Lecture Series

None to report.

http://poole.ncsu.edu/index-exp.phe/wells-fargo/

Free parking in the Dan Allen Deck after 3:00 pm

Dean Weiss strongly urges you to please encourage your students and colleagues to attend this lecture. If you are interested in offering extra credit for your students to attend the lecture, please contact me so we may work out the details.

The Poole College of Management’s Wells Fargo Executive Lecture Series provides insight into the personal and professional careers of the leaders from some of our nation’s top companies. The series was created especially for students of the Poole College of Management and other colleges at NC State University, and is also open to faculty and staff at NC State, alumni, and members the business community.

Contact Information: Phone 919-515-0391, email: Vicki_burrows@ncsu.edu

NCSU Library workshops

Econ Grad Students:
Over the course of your studies and research, if you find that our library is lacking any resources that would be beneficial to graduate students in the economics department, please contact me with your suggestions. I'm the econ graduate student library representative, and it’s my job to make sure the library has what we (graduate students in economics) need.

Keep in mind that the NCSU Libraries offer a variety of services tailored to the needs of faculty, graduate students and researchers. The services include research consultation service, workshops, GIS and data services, dedicated spaces, and many others.

Registration for our Fall 2013 Research Workshops is now open!
http://www.lib.ncsu.edu/researchworkshops

Best,
Irina Pritchett
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