A Newsletter of the Economics Graduate Program

Calendar Events

Academic Calendar for Graduate Students

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

Thurs. & Fri. Oct.10-11 (Fall Break) University closed
Mon. Oct. 11th, All day, Classes resume
Fri. Oct. 18th Last day to change from credit to audit
  Last day to withdraw or drop a course without a grade
  MPP closes for drops at 11:59pm
Fri. Oct. 18th Last day to change to credit only
Fri. Oct. 18th Last day to withdraw or drop a course without a grade

Announcements, Recognitions and Awards

Oct. 4: Career Planning for masters students, 2pm, 3210 Nelson, meeting with Kelly Laraway from NCSU Career Development Center (all new and current masters students who will seek employment post-graduation should attend)

Oct. 11 Micro re-take exam, 10-2pm, 4210 Nelson Hall

Oct. 18 Macro re-take exam, 10-2pm, 4163 Nelson Hall

Congratulations to Nora Traum on being named the 2013-2014 College of Management's Owens Scholar. The award is made possible through a gift from Jim Owens (Econ Ph.D. '73) and honors an outstanding scholar in Economics or International Finance.


New Faculty in Economics

Umut Dur joins the faculty as an assistant professor. Professor Dur recently received his Ph.D. from the University of Texas – Austin. His research focuses on microeconomic theory, and he will be teaching graduate courses in that area.

James Nason, the Jenkins Chair in Economics, joins the faculty from the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia. Professor Nason’s has a distinguished publication record in the areas of monetary economics, open-economy macroeconomics, and applied time series. He will be teaching graduate courses in these areas.
Paul Cwik is a new adjunct professor in the department. He received his Ph.D. from Auburn University, and he will be teaching the BB&T funded courses on capitalism.

Publications


Presentations

None to report.

Milestones

None to report.

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

Oct 30: Pierre Dubois (Toulouse School of Economics), TBD.
Nov 6: Utku Unver (Boston College), TBD.
Nov 13: Dora Gicheva (University of North Carolina-Greensboro), TBD.
Nov 20: Patten Mahler (University of Virginia), TBD.

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

Oct 4th - Dallas Wood, Ph. D. Candidate, Dept. of Economics, NC State, Nelson Board Room (3220 Nelson Hall), 12:00.

November 1st - Jonathan Eyer, Ph. D. Candidate, Dept. of Economics, NC State, Nelson Board Room (3220 Nelson Hall), 12:00.

November 22nd - Evan Rogers, Ph. D. Candidate, Dept. of Economics, NC State & Steve Dundas, Ph. D. Candidate, Dept. of Economics, NC State, Nelson Board Room (3220 Nelson Hall), 12:00.

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:


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

Fall 2013

- October 3 (NCSU): Marcelo C. Medeiros (Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro).
- October 3 (Duke): Ed Vytlacil (NYU).
October 10 (Duke): Francesca Molinari (Cornell).
October 17 (TEW, hosted by NCSU): Victor Chernhozhukov (MIT).
October 24 (TEW, hosted by Duke): Anders Rahbek (Copenhagen).
November 7 (TEW, hosted by UNC): Zhijie Xiao (Boston College).
November 14 (Duke): Adam Rosen (University College London).
December 6: Triangle Econometrics Conference at NISS.

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://www4.ncsu.edu/~dpellet/workshop/index.html

None to report.

Finance Workshops 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**

**October 14**, Nir Jaimovich (Duke University), TBA.
**October 21**, Ivan Kandilov (NC State), "The Impact of Banking Deregulation on Inbound Foreign Direct Investment: Transaction-level Evidence from the United States".
**October 28**, Dario Caldara (Federal Reserve Board), "The Identification of Fiscal Multipliers and Automatic Stabilizers in SVARs".
**November 11**, Xiaoyan Tang (NC State), Dissertation seminar
**December 2**, Maurizio Lacopetta (SKEMA), TBA.

Organizers: (Macro) Nora Traum and Ivan Kandilov, Giuseppe Fiori (International Trade)

All seminars start at **3:00 p.m. in 4210 Nelson Hall** unless otherwise indicated.
Ivan Kandilov, email: ivan_kandilov@ncsu.edu

**The Tree Seminar Series**

- October 3, 2013, Art Van Bentham, University of Pennsylvania
- October 17, 2013, Matt Adler, Duke University
- October 31, 2013, Clair Null, Emory University
- November 21, 2013, Daniel Kaffine, University of Colorado

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](http://www.ncsu.edu/cenrep/workshops/TREE/index.php). Please note that we expect to add one more seminar in November. If you would like to subscribe/unsubscribe to this list, please email [env_econ@ncsu.edu](mailto:env_econ@ncsu.edu). We look forward to seeing you at the seminars, Marty Smith (marsmith@duke.edu) & Roger von Haefen (rhhaefen@ncsu.edu)
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
Additional information contact Lee Craig, Lee_Craig@ncsu.edu

Wells Fargo Executive Lecture Series

10/2/13 James H. Speed Jr., President and Chief Executive Officer, North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company
A Certified Public Accountant, James Speed joined North Carolina Mutual, the oldest and largest insurance company in America with roots in the African-American community, in 2002, following a successful career with Hardee’s Food Systems. He helped to guide the company’s strategic development plan and was named to his current role in 2004. In addition, he serves on the boards of several financial, civic and philanthropic organizations.

11/6/13 Christopher B. Curtis, President and Chief Executive Officer, Schneider Electric
For over 15 years, Chris Curtis has been guiding the strategy, growth and evolution of Schneider Electric and is a key thought leader in Intelligent Energy, driving the company’s comprehensive range of “right-now” energy solutions. He is actively involved in the Alliance to Save Energy and serves on Board of Governors for the National Electrical Manufacturers Association, among other organizations. He has been in his current role in 2008.
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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