

Applied Micro Summer Conference

Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco

July 14-16, 2010

*Tentative Agenda

Wednesday, July 14

Session I: Race and Discrimination

- 9 - 10 a.m. The Obama Effect on Economic Outcomes: Evidence from Event Studies
Stefano DellaVigna (UC Berkeley)
- 10 – 11 a.m. The Visible Hand: Race and Online Market Outcomes
Jennifer Doleac (Stanford), Luke Stein (Stanford)
- 11 – 11:30 a.m. **Break**
- 11:30 – 12:30 p.m. Detecting Discrimination in Audit and Correspondence Studies
David Neumark (UC Irvine)
- 12:30 – 2 p.m. **Lunch**

Session II: Crime and Malfeasance

- 2 – 3 p.m. Thieves, Thugs, and Neighborhood Poverty
David Bjerck (Claremont-McKenna)
- 3 – 4 p.m. Drawn into Violence: Evidence on 'What Makes a Criminal' from the Vietnam Draft Lotteries
Jason Lindo (U. of Oregon), Charles Stoecker
- 4 – 4:30 p.m. **Break**
- 4:30 – 5:30 pm The Prevalence and Impact of Misstated Incomes on Mortgage Loan Applications
McKinley Blackburn (U. of South Carolina), Todd Vermilyea

Thursday, July 15

Session III: Immigration

- 9 - 10 a.m. Cracks in the Melting Pot: Immigration, School Choice, and Segregation
Ethan Lewis (Dartmouth), Elizabeth Cascio
- 10 – 11 a.m. Rethinking the Area Approach in an Open Economy: Immigrants in California, 1960-2005
Giovanni Peri (UC Davis and FRBSF)
- 11 – 11:30 a.m. **Break**
- 11:30 – 12:30 p.m. What Are the Effects of State Level Legislation Against the Hiring of Unauthorized Immigrants?
Sara Bohn (PPIC), Magnus Lofstrom, Steven Raphael
- 12:30 – 2 p.m. **Lunch**

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Session IV: Urban issues

- 2 – 3 p.m. Job Location, Neighborhood Change, and Gentrification
Jed Kolko (PPIC)
- 3 – 3:30 p.m. **Break**
- 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. The impact of residential density on vehicle usage and fuel consumption
David Brownstone (UC Irvine), Jinwon Kim

Special session: Wine Economics

- 4:30 – 5 p.m. Do Expert Ratings Measure Quality? The Case of Restaurant Wine Lists
Orley Ashenfelter (Princeton), Craig Riddell (U. of British Columbia)
- 5 – 6:30 p.m. **Reception**

Friday, July 16

Session V: Behavioral questions

- 9 - 10 a.m. Book Translations as Idea Flows: The Effects of the Collapse of Communism on the Diffusion of Knowledge
Isabelle Sin (Stanford), Ran Abramitzky
- 10 - 11 a.m. Positive Affect and Overconfidence
Homa Zarghamee (Santa Clara), John Ifcher
- 11 – 11:30 a.m. **Break**
- 11:30 – 12:30 p.m. Liquidity Constraints, Household Wealth, and Self-Employment: The Case of Older Workers
Julie Zissimopoulos (Rand Corp.), Qian Gu, Lynn Karoly
- 12:30 – 2 p.m. **Lunch**

Session VI: Program Evaluation

- 2 – 3 p.m. Testing Paternalism: Cash vs. In-kind Transfers in Rural Mexico
Jesse Cunha (Stanford)
- 3 – 4 p.m. Model Specification Tests and the Estimation of Treatment Effects: An Application with Random and Non-Random Administrative Records
Ken Couch (U. of Connecticut), Tao Chen