

# 2011-12 Political Economy Seminars

## Spring 2012

Date	Speaker	Title
Apr 3	<b>John Huber</b> Columbia University	Democracy, Targeted Redistribution and Ethnic Inequality
Apr 17	<b>Caroline Hoxby</b> Stanford University Department of Economics	The Hated Property Tax: Saliency, Tax Rates, and Tax Revolts
May 1	<b>Shanker Satyanath</b> NYU Department of Politics	Natural Resource Shocks and Conflict in India's Red Belt
May 8	<b>Luke Keele</b> Penn State University	How Much is Minnesota Like Wisconsin? Assumptions and Counterfactuals in Causal Inference with Observational Data
May 15	<b>Terry Moe</b> Stanford University Department of Political Science	Public Sector Unions and the Costs of Government Joint with Sarah F. Anzia
May 29	<b>Tom Romer</b> Princeton University	

## Winter 2012

Date	Speaker	Title
Jan 10	<b>Peter Hammond</b> The University of Warwick	Social Choice and Individual Reports of Subjective Well-Being
Feb 7	<b>Gerard Padro i Miquel</b> London School of Economics	The Effects of Democratization on Economics Policy: Evidence from China
Feb 21	<b>Romain Wacziarg</b> UCLA Anderson School of Management	Economic Integration and Structural Change
Mar 6	<b>David Stasavage</b> NYU	What Democracy Does (and Doesn't) Do for Basic Services: School Fees, School Inputs, and African Elections

## Fall 2011

Date	Speaker	Title
Sep 27	<b>Francesco Squintani</b> Warwick University	Information Aggregation and Optimal Structure of the Executive
Oct 11	<b>Abhijit Banerjee</b> MIT Department of Economics	Do Informed Voters Make Better Choices? Experimental Evidence from Urban India
Oct 25	<b>Gregory Huber</b> Yale University	Sources of Bias in Retrospective Decision-Making: Experimental Evidence on Voters Limitations in Controlling Incumbents
Nov 1	<b>Nolan McCarty</b> Princeton University	Complexity, Capacity, and Capture

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Nov 8	<b>Hulya Eraslan</b> John Hopkins University	Rhetoric in Legislative Bargaining with Asymmetric Information
Nov 22	<b>Bard Harstad</b> Kellogg School of Management	Boycotts and (Self-) Regulation in a Dynamic Game Joint with Georgy Egorov
Dec 6	<b>John Patty</b> Washington University Department of Political Science	Stovepiping Joint with Sean Gailmard

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