



Keynote Lectures

August 20 "Earnings Dynamics and the Pricing of Unobserved Skill"



Lance Lochner (Western University)

Professor Lochner is a Professor of Economics and Canada Research Chair in Human Capital and Productivity at the University of Western Ontario. His research is largely devoted to the study of human capital formation throughout the lifecycle and to understanding criminal behavior. Previous and current research explores the interaction between human capital and criminal behavior, financial returns to schooling, human capital acquisition from birth to retirement, the evolution of earnings inequality, and issues related to financing education. He is an editor at the *Journal of Labor Economics* and received his PhD in economics from the University of Chicago in 1998.

August 21 "Winning by Default: Why is There So Little Competition in Government Procurement?"

Robert Miller (Carnegie Mellon University)

Professor Miller has been at the forefront of structural econometrics since its inception more than 30 years ago. His work on identifying and estimating models of dynamic discrete choice, competitive equilibrium, optimal contracting and limit order markets and auctions, published in *Econometrica*, *the American Economic Review*, *the Review of Economic Studies* and *the Journal of Political Economy*, is widely cited. He holds the Richard M. Cyert and Morris DeGroot Chair in Economics and Statistics at the Tepper School of Business in Carnegie Mellon University.



August 22 "Heterogeneity and Persistence in Returns to Wealth"



Luigi Pistaferri (Stanford University)

Professor Pistaferri is a Professor of Economics at Stanford University, a research fellow of NBER, CEPR and IZA, the "Ralph Landau" Senior Fellow at SIEPR, and one of the co-editors of the *American Economic Review*. His papers are on the intersection between labor economics and macroeconomics. He holds a PhD in Economics from University College, London, and a Doctorate in Economic Sciences from IUN in Naples (Italy), where he was born in 1968. Professor Pistaferri joined Stanford University in 1999 after finishing his PhD and has been a member of the faculty ever since, with the exception of one year sabbatical spent at EIEF in Rome.

Call for Papers

The Department of Economics at the University of Calgary is hosting its third annual Empirical Microeconomics Workshop in Banff, Alberta, Canada. The aim of this year's workshop is to bring researchers together to present and discuss empirical microeconomic research under three broad themes:

- Labor, Education and Crime
- Methods and Applications in Structural Econometrics
- Public Finance and Political Economy

DEADLINE: The deadline for submissions is **May 1, 2016**.

SUBMISSIONS: We invite submissions from established researchers as well as promising young scholars in the field. In addition to regular presentations, there will be a poster session for younger scholars. We also welcome individuals wishing to attend and discuss papers.

Submissions should include either a full paper or an extended abstract with the main results.

To submit a paper, please visit:

<https://form.jotform.com/empiricalmicro/2016>

DECISIONS: Decisions and registration details will be announced by mid-June. A preliminary program will be announced in early August.

WORKSHOP VENUE: The workshop is being held at the [Banff Centre](#) in the heart of Banff National Park. Banff is a spectacular location and is particularly beautiful in late summer. The conference organizers are planning activities to take advantage of our unique location.

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