

Program

Tuesday, August 1

Financial Economics: Corporate Finance. 4:00-6:00.

- Margaret (Gretchen) Lay (Mt Holyoke), “[Pension Obligations and the Cost of Corporate Debt](#)”
 - Discussant: Heather Montgomery (ICU).
- Ben Keefer (Carleton), “[Influence vs. Risk Weights: How to Address Optimistic Credit Ratings?](#)”
 - Discussant: Michelle Zemel (Pomona).
- Serkan Karadas (Sewanee), “[Local Predictive Ability of Analyst Recommendations](#)”
 - Discussant: Abigail Hornstein (Wesleyan).
- Marketa Wolfe (Skidmore), “[Stock Market Reactions to Presidential Company-Specific Statements: Evidence from Twitter](#)”
 - Discussant: Margaret (Gretchen) Lay (Mt Holyoke).

Wednesday, August 2

Financial Economics: Asset Pricing. 9:30-11:30.

- Michelle Zemel (Pomona), “[Are Bond Markets the Answer for Only an Elite Few? Evidence from Four U.S. Crises](#)”
 - Discussant: Marketa Wolfe (Skidmore).
- Yaniv Ben-Ami (Carleton), “[Banking Crises as Self-Defeating Prophecies](#)”
 - Discussant: Ben Keefer (Carleton).
- Pierangelo De Pace (Pomona), “[Near-Explosive Dynamics and Risk Migration in U.S. Fixed Income Markets](#)”
 - Discussant: Ethan Struby (Carleton).
- Nicholas Woolley (Trinity), “[From Debt to Equity in Technology Investment:](#)

Informal lunch: 11:30-12:30.

Welcome: 12:30.

Money and Banking. 1:00-3:00.

- Erin Wolcott (Middlebury), “[Impact of Foreign Official Purchases of U.S. Treasuries on the Yield Curve](#)”
 - Discussant: Carola Binder (Haverford)
- Carola Binder (Haverford), “[Inflation Expectations and the Price at the Pump](#)”
 - Discussant: Dean Croushore (Richmond).
- Menelik Geremew (Kalamazoo), “[The Bank Lending Channel and the Loan Puzzle: A Pre & Post Great Recession Analysis](#)”
 - Discussant: Karl Boulware (Wesleyan).
- Ethan Struby (Carleton), “[Macroeconomic Disagreement in Treasury Yields](#)”
 - Discussant: Peter Summers (High Point).

Coffee break: 3:00-3:30.

Open Economy. 3:30-5:30.

- Olena Staveley-O’Carroll (Holy Cross), “[Exchange Rate Targeting in the Presence of Foreign Debt Obligations](#)”
 - Discussant: Stephen Nicar (Franklin & Marshall).
- Bill Craighead (Colorado), “[Intermediate Goods and Exchange Rate Disconnect](#)”
 - Discussant: Liang Ding (Macalester).
- Edward Feasel (Soka), “[The Role of Exports in the East Asian Miracle](#)”
 - Discussant: Jaya Jha (Davidson).
- Gina Pieters (Trinity Univ.), “[Bitcoin Reveals Unofficial Exchange Rates and Detects Capital Controls](#)”
 - Discussant: Pierangelo De Pace (Pomona).

Reception and dinner in uptown Charlotte. 6:00-9:00 (bus leaves from WALL

- ✧ Dean Croushore (Richmond)
- ✧ Lewis Davis (Union)
- ✧ Abigail Hornstein (Wesleyan)

Thursday, August 3

Breakfast on your own: 8:30-9:30. Concurrent breakfast meeting for future workshop organizers (WALL 243).

Fiscal Policy and Business Cycles. 9:45-11:45.

- M. Saif Mehkari (Richmond), “[Repatriation Taxes](#)”
 - ✧ Discussant: Ahmed Rahman (USNA).
- Daniel Riera-Crichton (Bates), “[Non-linear distortion-based effects of tax changes on output: A worldwide narrative approach](#)”
 - ✧ Discussant: Olena Staveley-O’Carroll (Holy Cross).
- Stephen Nicar (Franklin & Marshall), “[Measuring Fiscal Policy Spillovers using Mixed-Frequency Data](#)”
 - ✧ Discussant: Sherry Yu (New College of Florida).
- Nathaniel Throckmorton (William and Mary), “[A New Way to Quantify the Effect of Uncertainty](#)”
 - ✧ Discussant: Esteban Argudo (Vassar).

Teaching Forums: 11:45-1:15.

- Inclusive Teaching in Macroeconomics: Vikram Kumar and Caleb Stroup (Davidson)
- Macroeconomics and the Economics Major: PJ Glandon (Kenyon)
- Political Discussions During Class: Julie Smith (Lafayette)
- Techniques for Active Learning in Macroeconomics: Bob Rebelien (Vassar)

Labor Market. 1:30-3:30.

- Kristina Sargent (Middlebury), “[A Search Model of Migration & Unemployment](#)”

- Discussant: Daniel Riera-Crichton (Bates).
- Amy Y Guisinger (Lafayette), “[Men are from Mars? Gender Differences in Business Cycle Dynamics and Policy Implications](#)”
 - Discussant: Lewis Davis (Union).
- Ahmed Rahman (USNA), “[Immigration Responses to Technological Shocks: Theory and Evidence from the United States](#)”
 - Discussant: Shyam Gouri Suresh (Davidson).

Locations:

- All finance, macro, and teaching breakout sessions will be held in the Wall Academic Center.
- Main finance and macro sessions will be held in Wall 320.

