

## 2004-05 Political Economy Seminars

<b>Fall 2004</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Title</b>
October 12	<b>Matthew O. Jackson</b> Caltech	<b>Vote Buying</b> with Eddie Dekel and Asher Wolinsky.
October 26	<b>Romain T. Wacziarg</b> Stanford GSB	<b>Death and Development</b> (co-authored with John McMillan and Peter Lorentzen)
November 9	<b>Massimo Morelli</b> Ohio State	<b>Self Enforcing Voting in International Organizations</b>
November 23	<b>Tasos Kalandrakis</b> University of Rochester	<b>Genericity of Minority Governments: the Role of Policy and Office</b>
December 7	<b>Catherine Hafer</b> NYU	<b>Standoff and Coordination</b>
<b>Winter 2005</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Title</b>
January 18	<b>Roberto Rigobon</b> MIT	<b>Rule of Law, Democracy, Openness, and Income: Estimating The Interrelationships</b>
February 1	<b>Alan Wiseman</b> Ohio State	<b>Bargaining in Legislatures over Particularistic and Collective Goods</b>
March 1	<b>Adam Meirowitz</b> Princeton University	<b>Exclusionary Deliberation: The design of deliberative institutions to aggregate preferences and Information In defense of exclusionary deliberation: communication and voting with private beliefs and values</b>
March 15	<b>Bård Harstad</b> Northwestern University	<b>Harmonization and Side Payments in Political Cooperation</b>
March 29	<b>Diego Comin</b> NYU	<b>Lobbying and Technology Diffusion</b>
<b>Spring 2005</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Title</b>
April 12	<b>Dave Baron</b> Stanford GSB	<b>Strategic activism and nonmarket strategy</b>
April 26	<b>Craig Volden</b> Ohio State	<b>Intergovernmental Grants: A Model of Political Competition in a Federal System</b>
June 7	<b>Ken Shotts</b> Stanford GSB	<b>Information, Ideology, and Representation: The Case of Elected Prosecutors</b>

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October 7	<b>Jonathan Bendor</b> Stanford	<b>Satisficing versus Optimizing</b> with Sunil Kumar
October 21	<b>Romain Wacziarg</b> Stanford	<b>A Monte Carlo Study of Growth Regressions</b> joint with Bill Hauk
November 6*	<b>Joel Waldfogel</b> Wharton--University of Pennsylvania	<b>Does the <i>New York Times</i> Spread Ignorance and Apathy?</b>
November 18	<b>David Baron</b> Stanford	<b>Persistent Media Bias</b>
December 2	<b>Marco Battaglini</b> Princeton	<b>Policy Advice with Imperfectly Informed Experts</b>
December 16	<b>Betsy Stevenson</b> Forrester Research Harvard University	<b>The Internet and Job Search</b>
<b>Winter 2003</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Title</b>
January 20	<b>Keith Krehbiel</b> Stanford University	<b>Strategic Appointments</b>
February 3	<b>George Akerlof</b> UC Berkeley	<b>Identity and the Economics of Organizations</b>
February 17	<b>Justin Wolfers</b> Stanford University	<b>Disagreement About Inflation Expectations</b>
<b>February 27°</b>	<b>Ebonya Washington</b> MIT Econ	<b>How Back Candidates Affect Voter Turnout and Candidate Positioning</b>
March 2	<b>Daniel Carpenter</b> Harvard University	<b>A Theory of Approval Regulation</b>
March 16	<b>Ronny Razin</b> NYU	<b>Group Decision-Making in the Shadow of Disagreement</b>
March 30	<b>Sven Feldmann</b> University of Chicago	<b>Lobbying Bureaucrats: Delegation and Influence Under Alternative Political Structures</b>
<b>Spring 2004</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Title</b>
April 13	<b>Sean Gailmard</b> University of Chicago	<b>Fairness and Entitlement in Majoritarian Decision-Making</b>
May 11°	John Roemer	Cancelled due to illness. To be rescheduled in the Fall
May 25	<b>Brian Knight</b> Brown University	<b>Are Policy Platforms Capitalized into Equity Prices? Evidence From the Bush/Gore 2000 Presidential Election</b>
June 1 <sup>1</sup>	<b>Alberto Alesina</b> Harvard University	<b>Bureaucrats or Politicians?</b>

## 2002-03 Political Economy Seminars

<b>Fall 2002</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Title</b>
September 10	<b>David Baron</b> Stanford University	<b>Private Politics and Private Policy: A Theory of Boycotts</b>
September 24	<b>Justin Wolfers</b> Stanford University	<b>Is Business Cycle Volatility Costly? Evidence from Surveys of Subjective Wellbeing</b>
October 8	<b>David Lee</b> UC Berkeley Joint seminar with Economics Dept. Public Economics Seminar	<b>Policy Convergence or Divergence? Evidence from U.S. House Roll Call Voting Records</b>
October 22	<b>James Andreoni</b> University of Wisconsin Joint seminar joint with Economics Dept. Public Economics Seminar	<b>Leadership Giving in Charitable Fund-Raising</b>
November 5	<b>Steve Callander</b> Northwestern University	<b>Bandwagons and Momentum in Sequential Voting" and "Vote Timing and Information Aggregation</b>
November 19	<b>David Stromberg</b> Stockholm University - IIES	<b>Radio's Impact on Public Spending</b>
December 3	<b>Keith Krehbiel</b> Stanford University	<b>Partisan Roll Rates in a Nonpartisan Legislature</b>
<b>Winter 2003</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Title</b>
January 14	<b>Barry Weingast</b> Stanford University	CANCELLED
January 28	<b>Leeat Yariv</b> UCLA	<b>Putting Your Ballot Where Your Mouth Is: An Analysis of Collective Choice with Communication</b>
February 11	<b>Tom Palfrey</b> Caltech Joint seminar with the Economics	<b>An Equilibrium Model of Federal Mandates</b>
February 25	<b>Adam Meirowitz</b> Princeton University	<b>Accountability and Representation with Uncertain Policy Constraints</b>
March 11	<b>Steve Levitt</b> University of Chicago Joint seminar with the Economics	
March 25	<b>Tim Groseclose</b> Stanford University	<b>A Measure of Media Bias</b>
<b>Spring 2003</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Title</b>
April 8	<b>James Snyder</b> MIT	<b>Legislative Effectiveness and Legislative Life</b>
April 22	<b>Edward Glaeser</b> Harvard University Joint seminar with the Economics	<b>The Politics of Hate</b>
May 6	<b>Rohini Pande</b> Columbia University Joint seminar with the Economics	<b>Women, Marriage and Politics: The Political Salience of Changing Family Form in Europe</b>
May 20	<b>Jonathan Rodden</b> MIT Joint seminar with the Economics	<b>Reviving Leviathan: Fiscal Federalism and the Growth of Government</b>
June 3	<b>Enrico Spolaore</b> Brown University	<b>Adjustments in Different Government Systems</b>

## 2001-02 Political Economy Seminars

<b>Fall 2001</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Title</b>
September 18	<b>Witold Henisz</b> University of Pennsylvania	<b>Interest Groups, Political Institutions and Electricity Investment (with Bennet Zelner)</b>
October 2	<b>Nicola Persico</b> University of Pennsylvania	<b>The Drawbacks of Electoral Competition (with Alessandro Lizzeri)</b>
October 16	<b>Robin Burgess</b> London School of Economics	<b>The Political Economy of Government Responsiveness: Theory and Evidence from India (with Timothy Besley)</b>
October 30	<b>Dean Lacy</b> Ohio State University	<b>Nonseparable Preferences in Survey Responses</b>
November 13	<b>Rafael di Tella</b> Harvard University	<b>A New Explanation for European Unemployment Based on Rational Institutions" (with Robert MacCulloch)</b>
November 27	<b>Daniel Treisman</b> UCLA	<b>Rational Appeasement</b>
<b>Winter 2002</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Title</b>
January 22	<b>Mo Fiorina</b> Stanford University	<b>The 2000 US Presidential Election: Can Retrospective Voting Be Saved?</b>
February 5	<b>John Donohue</b> Stanford University	<b>Legalized Abortion and Crime (joint with Steve Levitt)</b>
February 14	<b>Michael McBride</b> Yale University	<b>Discrete Public Goods Under Threshold Uncertainty - Theory and Experiments</b>
February 19	<b>Imran Rasul</b> LSE	<b>Household Bargaining Over Fertility: Theory and Evidence From Malaysia</b>
March 5	<b>Raquel Fernandez</b> New York University	<b>Marrying Your Mom: Mothers, Sons, and Women's Work and Education</b>
March 19	<b>J.R. De Shazo</b> UCLA	<b>Devolution, Political Markets and Market Power</b>
<b>Spring 2002</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Title</b>
April 2	<b>Brandice Canes</b> MIT	<b>Bureaucratic Decisions and the Lower Courts: An Analysis of Wetlands Permitting</b>
April 16	<b>Raymond Fisman</b> Columbia University	<b>Tax Rates and Tax Evasion: Evidence from "Missing Imports" in China</b>
April 30	<b>Gérard Roland</b> UC Berkeley	<b>A Normal Parliament? Party Cohesion and Competition in the European Parliament 1979-2001</b>
May 14	<b>Tim Groseclose</b> GSB, Stanford University	<b>Notes on Extreme Sample Selection Bias: Conditions that Cause the Correlation Between Two Variables to Switch Signs (with Jeff Milyo)</b>
May 28	<b>Catherine Wolfram</b> University California, Berkeley	<b>Pharmaceutical Prices and Political Activity</b>
May 30	<b>Ken Shotts</b> Northwestern	<b>A Time to Lead and a Time to Pander: The Conditional Nature of Presidential Responsiveness to Public Opinion</b>

## 2000-01 Political Economy Seminars

<b>Fall 2000</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Title</b>
October 3	<b>Antonio Rangel</b> Stanford University	<b>Legislative Institutions (with Doug Bernheim and Luis Rayo)</b>
October 17	<b>Simon Jackman</b> Stanford University	<b>The Statistical Analysis of Legislative Roll Calls: a Unified Approach (with Joshua Clinton and Doug Rivers)</b>
October 31	<b>Tim Groseclose</b> Stanford University	<b>Why a Teaspoon of Position-Taking Drowns a Mountain of Policy Preferences: A Theoretical Result (with Jeffrey Milyo)</b>
November 14	<b>Antonio Merlo</b> University of Pennsylvania	<b>A Structural Model of Government Formation (with Daniel Diermeier)</b>
December 12	Florencio Lopez-de-Silanes Harvard University	<b>Soft Lending and Hard Landing: Related Lending in Mexico (joint with Rafael La Porta and Guillermo Zamarripa)</b>
<b>Winter 2001</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Title</b>
January 9	<b>Adam Meirowitz</b> Stanford University	<b>Simple Spatial Models of Delegation (with Jon Bendor, Ami Glazer, Tom Hammond)</b>
February 6	<b>Romain Wacziarg</b> Stanford University	<b>Stages of Diversification (with Jean Imbs)</b>
February 20	<b>Keith Krehbiel</b> Stanford University	<b>Testing Theories of Legislative Choice</b>
March 6	<b>Alison Alter</b> Stanford University	<b>Electoral Exuberance? Political Business Cycles and the Stock Market? (joint with Lucy Goodhart)</b>
March 20	<b>José Tavares</b> UCLA	<b>Does Right or Left Matter? Cabinets, Credibility and Fiscal Adjustments</b>
<b>Spring 2001</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Title</b>
April 17	<b>David Cutler</b> Harvard University	<b>The Economics of Better Health: The Case of Cardiovascular Disease</b>
May 1	<b>Dani Rodrik</b> Harvard University	<b>Why Are Some People (and Countries) More Protectionist Than Others? (joint with Anna Maria Mayda)</b>
May 15	<b>John Duggan</b> University of Rochester	<b>Electoral Competition with Policy-Motivated Candidates (with Mark Fey)</b>
May 23	<b>Alex Cukierman</b> Tel Aviv University	<b>When is the Median Voter Paradigm a Reasonable Guide for Policy Choices in a Representative Democracy? (joint with Y. Spiegel)</b>
May 29	<b>Ignacio Ortuno Ortin</b> Universidad de Alicante	<b>Public Funding of Political Parties</b>

## 1999-00 Political Economy Seminars

<b>Fall 1999</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Title</b>
October 5	<b>Werner Troesken</b> University of Pittsburgh	<b>Did the Trusts Have Market Power: Evidence from Distilling, 1881-1899 (with Karen Clay)</b>
October 19	<b>Mike Ting</b>	<b>Adaptively Rational Voters and Turnout (with Jonathan Bendor and Daniel Diermeier)</b>
November 2	<b>Nolan McCarty</b> Columbia University	<b>Political Resource Allocation: Benefits and Costs of Voter Initiatives</b>
November 16	<b>Sven Feldmann</b> University of Chicago	<b>Lobbying Legislatures (with Morten Bennedsen)</b>
December 7	<b>Alan Gerber</b> Yale University	<b>The Effect of a Nonpartisan Get-Out-The-Vote Drive: An Experimental Study</b>
December 14	<b>David Baron</b> Stanford University	<b>Competitive Lobbying in a Majority-Rule Institution</b>
<b>Winter 2000</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Title</b>
January 25	<b>Christophe Crombez</b> Stanford IIS and Katholieke Universiteit, Belgium	<b>Institutional Reform and Codecision in the European Union</b>
February 8	<b>James Snyder</b> MIT	<b>An Informational Rationale for Political Parties (with Michael Ting)</b>
February 22	<b>Kevin Grier</b> University of Oklahoma	<b>Political Regime Change and the Real Interest Rate</b>
March 7	<b>David Laitin</b> Stanford University	<b>Sons of the Soil, Immigrants and the State (with Jim Fearon)</b>
March 21	<b>David Austen-Smith</b> Northwestern University	<b>Redistributing Income under Proportional Representation</b>
<b>Spring 2000</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Title</b>
April 4	<b>Ken Shotts</b> Northwestern University	<b>True Leadership, Pandering, and Fake Leadership: A Theory of Executive Policymaking (with Brandice Canes-Wrone and Michael Herron)</b>
April 18	<b>James Robinson</b> UC Berkeley	<b>A Theory of Political Transitions (with Daron Acemoglu)</b>
May 2	<b>Avinash Dixit</b> Princeton University	<b>Fiscal Discretion Destroys Monetary Commitment" (with Luisa Lambertini)</b>
May 16	<b>Francisco Rodriguez</b> University of Maryland	<b>An Interest Groups Theory of Human Capital Accumulation: Theory and Evidence (with Jose Pineda)</b>
May 30	<b>Stephen Coate</b> Cornell University	<b>Non-majoritarian Policy Outcomes and the Role of the Initiative" (with Tim Besley)</b>
June 13	<b>Francesco Caselli</b> University of Chicago/Harvard	<b>Bad Politicians (with Massimo Morelli)</b>

## 1998-99 Political Economy Seminars

<b>Fall 1998</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Title</b>
October 27	<b>Jeffrey Milyo</b> Tufts University	
November 10	<b>Randall Kroszner</b> University of Chicago	<b>Corporate Campaign Contributions, Legislator Reputation and Political Ambiguity: An Empirical Analysis</b>
November 24	<b>Jeffrey Jenkins</b> Michigan State University	<b>Examining the Bonding Effects of Party: A Comparative Analysis of Roll Call Voting in the US and Confederate Houses</b>
December 8	<b>Curtis Signorino</b> University of Rochester	<b>Statistical Analysis of Finite Choice Models in Extensive Form</b>
<b>Winter 1999</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Title</b>
January 12	<b>Jonathan Bendor</b> Stanford University	<b>Adaptive Political Parties and Downsian Competition</b>
January 26	<b>Jeffrey Lewis</b> Princeton University	<b>Referendums, Initiatives, and State Legislative Partisanship</b>
February 9	<b>Dennis Yao</b> Wharton	<b>The Sale of Ideas: Strategic Disclosure, Property Rights, and Incomplete Contracts</b>
February 23	<b>Massimo Morelli</b> Iowa State University	<b>Demand Competition and Policy Compromise in Legislative Bargaining</b>
March 9	<b>Antonio Rangel</b> Stanford University	<b>Forward and Backward Intergenerational Goods</b>
March 23	<b>Thomas R. Palfrey</b> Caltech	<b>An Experimental Study of Jury Decisions (with Richard D. McKelvey)</b>
<b>Spring 1999</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Title</b>
April 6	<b>Timothy Feddersen</b> Northwestern University	<b>Abstention in Elections with Asymmetric Information and Diverse Preferences</b>
April 20	<b>Howard Rosenthal</b> Princeton University and CASB	<b>The Hunt for Party Discipline</b>
May 4	<b>Tim Groseclose</b> Stanford University	<b>Buying the Bums Out: What's the Dollar Value of a Seat in Congress?</b>
May 18	<b>Alberto Alesina</b> Harvard University	<b>Participation in Heterogeneous Communities</b>
June 1	<b>James Poterba</b> MIT	<b>Fiscal Institutions and the Market for Government Debt</b>