

Friday 1-2:30 PM

Session #1: The Historical Evolution of Trade and Transport Costs

Chair: Stephen Easton, Simon Fraser University

Brandon Dupont (Western Washington University), Drew Keeling (University of Zurich), and Thomas Weiss (University of Kansas), "Passenger Fares for Overseas Travel in the 19th and 20th Centuries"

***Kris Inwood (University of Guelph) and Ian Keay (Queen's University), "Reaffirming the Importance of Transport Costs: Evidence from the Trans-Atlantic Iron Trade, 1870-1913"**

Adrian Leonard (University of Cambridge), "The Pricing Revolution in Marine Insurance"

Discussants:

Simone Wegge, College of Staten Island (Dupont-Keeling-Weiss)

Noam Yuchtman, UC Berkeley (Inwood-Keay)

Eric Hilt, Wellesley College (Leonard)

Session #2: Cities in Economic History

Chair: John Brown, Clark University

Jim Siodla (University of California, Irvine), "Razing San Francisco: The 1906 Disaster and the Legacy of Urban Land Use"

Martha J. Bailey (University of Michigan), Brian Jacob (University of Michigan), Michael Kevane (Santa Clara University) and William Sundstrom (Santa Clara University), "Carnegie's Legacy and the Growth of American Cities: Did Public Libraries Have Any Measurable Effects?"

Molly C. Ball (University of California, Los Angeles), "Real Wage Evolution in Sao Paulo, Brazil, 1891-1930"

Discussants:

Rick Hornbeck, Harvard University (Siodla)

Trevon Logan, Ohio State (Bailey-Jacob-Kavane)

Robert A. Margo, Boston University (Ball)

Friday, 3-5 PM

Session #3: Central Banks for Liquidity and Other Purposes

Chair: Eugene White, Rutgers University and NBER

Vincent Bignon (Bank of France) and Clemens Jobst (Austrian National Bank), "Eligibility to Central Bank Liquidity and the Bankruptcy Rate: Lessons from France, 1826-1913"

Mary Eschelbach Hansen (American University), "Financial System Liquidity and Bankruptcy: Mississippi, 1929-1931"

Eric Monnet (Paris School of Economics), "Financing a Planned Economy: Institutions, Information Network, and Credit Allocation in the French Golden Age of Growth, 1954-1974"

Catherine R. Schenk (University of Glasgow), "Managing the Retreat of the Dollar in the International Monetary System: Would a Substitution Account Have Worked?"

Discussants:

Phillip Hoffman, Cal-Tech (Clemens-Vincent)

Hugh Rockoff, Rutgers (Hansen)

Daniel Fetter, Wellesley College (Monnet)

Gianni Toniolo, Duke University (Schenk)

Session #4: Railroads and Economic Development

Chair: Barry Eichengreen, UC-Berkeley

Dave Donaldson (MIT) and Richard Hornbeck (Harvard University), "Railroads and American Economic Growth: New Data and Theory"

Daniel Bogart (University of California, Irvine) and Latika Chaudhary (Scripps College), "Engines of Growth: The Productivity Advance of Indian Railways, 1874-1912"

Se Yan (Peking University), "Railroads and Market Integration in China"

Marta Felis-Rota (Universidad Autonoma de Madrid), Jordi Marti Hennenberg (Universitat de Lleida), and Laia Mojica (Universitat de Lleida) "A GIS Analysis of the Evolution of the Railway Network and Population Density in England and Wales, 1851-2000"

Discussants:

Jeremy Atack, Vanderbilt University (Donaldson-Hornbeck)

Saumitra Jha, Stanford (Bogart-Chaudhary)

Carol Shiue, University of Colorado (Yan)

Michael Haines, Colgate University (Rota-Hennenberg-Mojica)

Session #5: Births and Deaths

Chair: Leah Boustan, UCLA

Louis Cain (Loyola and Northwestern Universities), Sok Chul Hong (Sogang University) and Carlos Villareal (University of Chicago), "Inter-Urban Health Disparities: Survival in the Wards of 19th Century American Cities"

Daniel Aaronson (Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago), Fabian Lange (Yale University), and Bhashkar Mazumder (Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago), "Fertility Transitions Along the Intensive and Extensive Margins"

Francesco Cinnirella (IFO Institute and CESifo, Munich), Marc P. Klemp (University of Copenhagen), and Jacob Weisdorf (University of Copenhagen), “Malthus in the Bedroom: Birth Spacing as a Preventive Check Mechanism in England, 1540-1870”

Martin Saavedra (University of Pittsburgh), “Early Life Conditions and Adult Outcomes: Evidence from Japanese-American Internment”

Discussants:

Greg Niemesh, Vanderbilt University (Cain-Hong-Villareal)

Melissa Thomasson, Ohio University (Aronson-Lange-Mazumder)

Rick Steckel, Ohio State University (Cinnerella-Klemp-Weisdorf)

Carl Mosk, University of Victoria (Saavedra)

Saturday, 8:30-10 AM

Session #6: The Decisive Role of Bond Markets

Chair: George Grantham, McGill University

David Chambers (Cambridge University), Sergei Sarkissian (McGill University) and Michael Schill (University of Virginia), “Geography and Capital: Global Finance and the U.S. Railroad Industry”

Kim Oosterlinck, (Universitelibre de Bruxelles), Loredana Ureche-Rangau (Universite de Picardie Jules Verne) and Jacques Marie-Vaslin (Universite de Picardie Jules Verne), “Waterloo: A Godsend for French Finance?”

Kirsten Wandschneider (Occidental College), “Landschaften as Credit Purveyors – The Example of East Prussia”

Discussants:

Mark Weidenmier (Chambers)

Angela Redish, University of British Columbia (Oosterlinck)

Richard Sylla, NYU Stern (Wandschneider)

Session #7: Market Access and Trade: Causes and Consequences

Chair: Michael Huberman

Theresa Gutberlet (University of Arizona), “Cheap Coal, Market Access, and Industry Location in Germany, 1846-1882”

Florian Ploeckl (University of Oxford), “It’s All in the Mail: Information Exchange, Market Access, Amenities, and the Spatial Structure of the German Empire”

Wolfgang Keller (University of Colorado, Boulder), Ben Li (Boston College), and Carol H. Shiu (University of Colorado, Boulder), “Shanghai’s Trade, China’s Growth: Continuity, Recovery, and Change since the Opium War”

Discussants:

Dan Bogart, UC-Irvine (Gutberlet)

Elisabeth Perlman, Boston University (Ploeckl)

Chiaki Moriguchi, Hitotsubashi University (Keller-Shiu)

Session #8: Internal and International Migration

Chair: Ran Abramitzky, Stanford University

Guillaume Daudin (Sciences Po), Raphael Frank (Bar-Ilan University), and Hillel Rapoport (Harvard University), “Fertility Convergence through Internal Migration: France in the 19th Century”

Catherine Massey (University of Colorado, Boulder), “Immigration Quotas and Immigrant Skill Composition: Evidence from the Pacific Northwest”

Joseph Ferrie (Northwestern University) and Jason Long (Colby College), “British, American, and British-American Social Mobility: Intergenerational Occupational Change among Migrants and Non-Migrants in the Late 19th Century”

Discussants:

Isabelle Sin, Motu Economic and Public Policy Research (Daudin-Frank-Rapoport)

David Green, UBC (Massey)

Laura Salisbury, Boston University (Ferrie-Long)

Saturday, 10:30 AM – Noon

Session #9: Financial Crises in the United States

Chair: David Wheelock, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis

Christopher Hanes (Binghamton University) and Paul Rhode (University of Michigan), “Harvests and Financial Crises in Gold-Standard America”

Mary Tone Rodgers (University of South Florida Polytechnic), “An Overlooked Central Bank Rescue: How the Bank of France Ended the American Panic of 1907”

Carola Frydman (Boston University) and Eric Hilt (Wellesley College), “The Panic of 1907: JP Morgan, Trust Companies, and the Impact of the Financial Crisis”

Discussants:

Jon Moen, University of Mississippi (Hanes-Rhode)

John James, University of Virginia (Rodgers)

David Wheelock, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis (Frydman-Hilt)

Session #10: Slavery and Serfdom

Chair: Gavin Wright, Stanford University

Jeremiah Dittmar (American University and IAS) and Suresh Naidu (Columbia University), “Peculiar Institutions: The Economics of Slavery in the USA”

James Fenske (University of Oxford) and Namrata Kala (Yale University), “Temperature Shocks and the Slave Trade”

Steven Nafziger (Williams College), “Serfdom, Land Inequality, and Economic Development in Tsarist Russia”

Discussants:

Allison Shertzer, University of Pittsburgh (Dittmar-Naidu)

Warren Whatley, University of Michigan (Fenske)

Christian Dippel, UCLA (Nafziger)

Session #11: Households and Firms in US Economic History

Chair: Price Fishback, University of Arizona

Ryan Lampe (DePaul University) and Petra Moser (Stanford University), “Do Patent Pools Encourage Innovation? Evidence from 20 Industries in the 1930s”

Li Liu (University of Oxford), “Income Taxation and Business Incorporation: Evidence from the Early 20th Century”

Melinda Miller (U.S. Naval Academy), “The Validity of the Boas Cherokee Height Data”

Discussants:

Naomi Lamoreaux, Yale University (Lampe-Moser)

John Wallis, University of Maryland (Liu)

Roy Mill, Stanford University (Miller)

Sunday, 8:30 AM – 10:00

Session #12: The State for War and Growth

Chair: Kris Mitchener, Santa Clara University

Nicola Gennaioli (UPF) and Hans-Joachim Voth (UPF), "State Capacity and Military Conflict"

Mark Dincecco (IMT-Lucca Institute for Advanced Studies), "State Capacity and Long-Run Performance"

Gregg Huff (University of Oxford), "Financing Japan's World War II Occupation of Southeast Asia"

Discussants:

Larry Neal, University of Illinois (Voth)

Tuan-Hwe Sng, National University of Singapore (Dincecco)

Noel Maurer, Harvard Business School (Huff)

Session #13: Economic Growth in the Colonies

Chair: William Collins, Vanderbilt University

Alberto Diaz-Cayeros (UCSD) and Saumitra Jha (Stanford University), "Global Trade, Contract Failure, and Ethnic Assimilation: Cochineal in Mexico"

**Stephen Broadberry (London School of Economics) and Bishnypriya Gupta (University of Warwick),
“India and the Great Divergence: An Anglo-Indian Comparison of GDP per Capita, 1600-1871”**

Susan Wolcott (Binghamton University), “Evidence of Labor Bargaining Power among Indian Industrial Workers in the Early 20th Century”

Discussants:

William Collins, Vanderbilt University (Diaz-Cayeros and Jha)

Greg Clark, UC-Davis (Broadberry-Gupta)

Peter Lindert, UC-Davis (Wolcott)

Sunday, 10:30 AM – Noon

Session #14: Innovation and Institutions

Chair: Mauricio Drelichman, UBC

Regina Grafe (Northwestern University), “Distant Tyranny: Why Spain Fell Behind in the Early Modern Period”

Timothy Guinnane (Yale University) and Jean-Laurent Rosenthal (Cal-Tech), “Adapting Law to Fit the Facts: The GmbH, the SARL, and the Organization of Small Firms in Germany and France, 1892-1930”

Peter B. Meyer (Bureau of Labor Statistics), “Open Technology and the Early Airplane Industry”

Discussants:

Jordi-Vidal Robert, University of Warwick (Grafe)

Gary Libecap, UC Santa Barbara (Guinnane-Rosenthal)

Alex Field, Santa Clara University (Meyer)

Session #15: Markets and Market Integration

Chair: Brooks Kaiser, University of Southern Denmark

**Darrell J. Glaser (United States Naval Academy) and Ahmed Rahman (United States Naval Academy),
“Ex Tridens Mercatus – Sea Power and Trade in the Age of Globalization”**

**Philip Slavin (McGill University), “Grain Market Failure, Hoarding, and Speculation: New Evidence on
the Great European Famine in England and Wales, 1315-17”**

**Liam Brunt (HEC-Lausanne) and Edmund Cannon (University of Bristol), “Integration in the English
Wheat Market, 1770-1820”**

Discussants:

Claudia Rei, Vanderbilt University (Rahman)

Anne McCants, MIT (Slavin)

Paul Sharp, University of Southern Denmark (Cannon)