

THE ECONOMIC CLUB

O F W A S H I N G T O N , D . C .

Fellowship Recipients

2019

Becka Brolinson
Ph.D. Candidate Georgetown University
Topic: Valuing Public Transit: The Proposed L-Train Shutdown in Brooklyn

Matthew Staiger
Ph.D. Candidate University of Maryland
Topic: Parental Labor Market Networks and Intergenerational Mobility

Alexander Billy (winner of the Philip M. Dearborn Fellowship)
Ph.D. Candidate Georgetown University
Topic: Policing for Profit and Asset Forfeiture: Evidence from the Equitable Sharing Suspension

2018

Sai Luo
Ph.D. Candidate University of Maryland
Topic: Understanding the Labor Force Participation of Young Adults: A Cross-Cohort Comparison

Veronika Penciakova
Ph.D. Candidate University of Maryland
Topic: Ownership Structure & Risky investment among U.S. Firms

Yongjoon Park (winner of the Philip M. Dearborn Fellowship)
Ph.D. Candidate University of Maryland
Topic: The Economic Welfare Implications of Slot Divestitures: A Case Study of Washington D.C. Reagan National Airport

2017

Amira Alghumgham
Ph.D. Candidate Howard University
Topic: Are Economic Development Projects Tipping Points for Neighborhood Change?

Allison Stashko
Ph.D. Candidate Georgetown University
Topic: Do police maximize arrests or minimize crime? Evidence from racial profiling in U.S. cities

Catherine Kimbrell (winner of the Philip M. Dearborn Fellowship)
Ph.D. Candidate George Mason University
Topic: The Impact of Poverty on the Pretrial Process

2016

Robert Kulick
Ph.D. Candidate University of Maryland College Park
Topic: Horizontal Mergers, Prices, and Productivity

Riley Wilson
Ph.D. Candidate University of Maryland College Park
Topic: Moving to Economic Opportunity: the Low-Skill Migration Response to the Fracking Boom

2015

Caitlin Brown
Ph.D. Candidate Georgetown University
Topic: White or Black Hat? An Economic Analysis of Computer Hacking

Robert Whitten
Ph.D. Candidate Georgetown University
Topic: How Kinky Are U.S. Taxpayers? Using Income Bunching to Measure Tax Rate Sensitivity

Lokesh Dani (winner of the Philip M. Dearborn Fellowship)
Ph.D. Candidate, George Mason University
Topic: Identifying Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Area's New Growth Trajectory: An Occupational Perspective for Assessing Regional Human Capital Assets

2014

Jacob Mortenson
Ph.D. Candidate, Georgetown University
Topic: A More Complete Picture of Taxpayer Responses to Marginal Tax Rate Changes

Alison Weingarden
Ph.D. Candidate Georgetown University
Topic: The Causes and Consequences of Mass Layoffs

Alyx Mark (winner of the Philip M. Dearborn Fellowship)
Ph.D. Candidate George Washington University
Topic: Beyond Remedy: Does Civil Legal Assistance Matter for Democratic Governance?

2013

Claire Brunel
Ph.D. Candidate, Georgetown University
Topic: Green Jobs v. Green Imports: Links from Regulation to Innovation to Trade and Labor Demand

Zhenhua Chen
Ph.D. Candidate George Mason University
Topic: Transportation and Regional Output in the Northeast Megaregion: A Spatial Econometric CGE Assessment

Chrysanthi Hatzimasoura (Winner of the Philip M. Dearborn Fellowship)
Ph.D. Candidate George Washington University
Topic: The Economics of Underrepresentation: Theory and Experimental Evidence on Social Stimuli and Inequality of Aspirations in DC Communities

2012

Lisa J. Dettling
Ph.D. Candidate, University of Maryland
Topic: Proposal for "Opting Back In: Home Internet Use and Female Labor Supply"

Mauricio Villamizar
Ph.D. Candidate, Georgetown University
Topic: Identifying the Effects of Monetary Policy Shocks: Evidence from Columbia

Xiaochu Hu (winner of the Philip M. Dearborn Fellowship)
Ph.D. Candidate, George Mason University
Topic: The Role of High-Skilled Immigration in Regional Economic Development; A Case Study of Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Labor Market

2011

Bogdan L. Bonca
Ph.D. Candidate, George Washington University
Topic: Credit Scores and Strategic Default

Jeffrey Borowitz
Ph.D. Candidate, University of Maryland
Topic: Risk Tolerance and Time Investment in Children

Ellen Zapata (winner of the Philip Dearborn Fellowship)
Ph.D. Candidate, George Mason University
Topic: A Mixed Method Analysis of Foreclosure, Public Policy, Economic Development and Urban Change in the Washington, DC Area

2010

Abby Alpert
Ph.D. Candidate, University of Maryland
Topic: The Anticipatory Effects of Medicare part D on Drug Utilization

Kyle Handley
Ph.D. Candidate, University of Maryland
Topic: Exporting Under Trade Policy Uncertainty: Theory and Evidence from Australia

2009

Takahiko Kiso
Ph.D. Candidate, University of Maryland
Topic: Technological Progress in Fuel Efficiency: An International Comparison

Agustin Roitman
Ph.D. Candidate, University of Maryland
Topic: Imperfect Information and Savings in Small Open Economies: Theory and Evidence

2008

Matthew Chesnes
Ph.D. Candidate, University of Maryland
Topic: Capacity Utilization Choice in the Oil Refining Industry

Mingfeng Lin
Ph.D. Candidate, University of Maryland
Topic: Understanding the Value of "Social Commerce": An Empirical Investigation of Online Peer-to-Peer Financial Lending

Chong Gao (winner of the 2nd Annual Philip Dearborn Fellowship)
Ph.D. Candidate, American University
Topic: Three Empirical Analyses of the HUD "Affordable Housing Goals" Regulation of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (the GSEs) and a Case Study of the Regulation's Impact on House Prices in the Washington DC Metropolitan Area

2007

Ethan Ilzetzki
Ph.D. Candidate, University of Maryland
Topic: Ethan's proposed research is expected to shed light on the underlying causes of pro-cyclical fiscal policies in developing countries.

Melissa McInerney
Ph.D. Candidate, University of Maryland
Topic: Melissa's dissertation analyzes the impact of a state-level policy change intended to reduce the duration of worker's compensation claims.

Paul Jacobs

Ph.D. Candidate, Department of Economics, American University

Topic: Mr. Jacob's dissertation focuses on the affordability of private health insurance with a particular emphasis on "Designing an Optimal Subsidy Program for the District of Columbia." Business and community leaders in the District should find the recommendations and affordable premium estimates useful to plan possible employer contribution levels.

2006

Aparajita Goyal

Ph.D. University of Maryland

Topic: Aparajita's dissertation concerns information technology and rural markets: theory and evidence from a unique intervention in central India.

Emily Owens

Ph.D. University of Maryland

Topic: Emily's research talks about government regulation of illicit behavior.

2005

Lei Ding

Ph.D. George Mason University

Topic: Lei's research concerns the role of infrastructure in regional economic growth - the case for China.

Zamira Simkins

Ph.D. Candidate, American University

Topic: Zamira's dissertation research concerns economic and monetary integration in the European Union and the associated costs and benefits of the recent enlargement of the EU.

2004

Shaoming Cheng

Ph.D. George Mason University

Topic: Shaoming's dissertation research deals with the heterogeneous preferences in the location choices of Japanese investors in China.

Alexander Whalley

Ph.D. Candidate, University of Maryland

Topic: Alexander's research is to investigate racial differences in the value of education.