

## List of Fellowship Recipients

### 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.