The New Frontier in Business Cycle Research
March 2-3, 2018
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Conference Schedule
*speakers are highlighted in author listings*

Friday, March 2

9:00-10:00 tbd
Tom Cooley (New York University)

10:00-10:15 Break

10:15-11:15 Intangible Capital and Measured Productivity Over the Business Cycle
Ellen McGrattan (University of Minnesota)

11:15-11:30 Break

11:30-12:30 Financial Frictions and the Wealth Distribution
Jesus Fernandez-Villaverde (University of Pennsylvania)

12:30-2:00 Group Photo followed by Lunch Served in Upham Courtyard

2:00-3:00 tbd
Fatih Guvenen (University of Minnesota)

3:00-3:15 Break

3:15-4:15 tbd
Iourii Manovski (University of Pennsylvania)

4:15-4:30 Break
4:30-5:30  Fertility Shocks and Equilibrium Marriage-Rate Dynamics: Lessons from World War 1 in France
Guillaume Vandenbroucke (Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis) and John Knowles (Simon Fraser University)

8:15  Dinner at Opal Restaurant & Bar, 1325 State Street

Saturday, March 3

9:00-10:00  Low Real Interest Rates and the Zero Lower Bound
Stephen D. Williamson (University of Western Ontario)

10:00-10:15  Break

10:15-11:15  tbd
Vasco Carvalho (University of Cambridge)

11:15-11:30  Break

11:30-12:30  Misallocation or Risk-adjusted Capital Allocation?
Lukas Schmid (Duke University) and Joel David (USC)

12:30-2:00 Lunch Served in Upham Courtyard

2:00-3:00  tbd
Emmanuel Farhi (Harvard University)

3:00-3:15  Break

3:15-4:15  On the Optimality of Periodically Reformed, Simple Fiscal Policies
Maxim Troskin (Cornell University)

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