

**Conference on
Human Capital and Financial Frictions**

April 20 and 21, 2017

Georgetown University

205 Old North

Thursday, April 20

8:30-9:00

Registration and Welcome

Session 1

Human Capital and Inequality/Mobility

9:00-11:00

Mark Huggett (Georgetown University) “Taxing Top-Earners: Two Views”

Discussant: tbd

Chris Taber (University of Wisconsin-Madison) “Skills Prices, Occupations and Changes in the Wage Structure”

Discussant: Jeff Larrimore (Federal Reserve Board)

11:00-11:30

Coffee Break

11:30-12:30

Yongseok Shin (Washington University in St. Louis) “Debt-for-Opportunity? Student Loans and Economic Mobility”

Discussant: Lesley Turner (University of Maryland)

12:30-14:00

Lunch

Session 2

Human Capital and Credit Constraints

14:00-16:00

Fan Wang (University of Houston) “Investments in the Human Capital of Children in Village Economies”

Discussant: Andrew Zeitlin (Georgetown University)

Alex Monge (Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis) “Designing Efficient Student Loan Programs in the U.S.”

Discussant: Mary Ann Bronson (Georgetown University)

16:00-16:30

Coffee Break

Session 3

Human Capital and Matching

16:30 - 17:30

Russell Cooper (Pennsylvania State University) “Mismatch in Human Capital Accumulation”

Discussant: Lutz Hendricks (University of North Carolina)

19:00

Dinner, Café Milano

Friday, April 21

Session 4

College Education in the U.S.

09:00-11:00

Joseph Altonji (Yale University) “The Costs of and Net Returns to College Major”

Discussant: Ben Williams (George Washington University)

Todd Schoellman (Arizona State University) “Family Background, Academic Ability, and College Decisions in the 20th Century U.S.”

Discussant: Rui Castro (Western University)

11:00-11:30

Coffee Break

Session 5

Human Capital and Labor Markets

11:30-13:30

Alexander Ludwig (SAFE, Goethe University Frankfurt) “On the Optimal Interplay of Early and Late Education Subsidies and Taxation”

Discussant: Adam Blandin (Virginia Commonwealth University)

Markus Poschke (McGill University) “Labor Market Frictions, Productivity, and Self-Employment”

Discussant: Christian Moser (Columbia Business School)