FEBRUARY

PER Mini Course with Serguei Maliar, February 26-27, 2020

In this two-day Mini Course titled “Artificial Intelligence and Deep Learning Solution Methods for Dynamic Economic Models”, Professor David Maliar (Santa Clara University) discussed techniques for analyzing dynamic economic models (including deep learning networks). The course also showed how to establish functions suitable for deep learning and how to implement AI solution frameworks using Matlab and Python.

MARCH

The 12th Annual Kenneth J. Arrow Lecture, March 5, 2020

This annual lecture in honor of Professor Kenneth J. Arrow (1921-2017), 1972 Nobel Laureate and the Joan Kenney Professor of Economics and Professor of Operations Research at Stanford University, was given by Colin F. Camerer (CalTech), Robert Kirby Professor of Behavioral Economics and Director of the T & C. Chen Center for Social and Decision Neuroscience at the California Institute of Technology.

Discussants for this lecture included Karla Hoff, Visiting Professor of International and Public Affairs, Columbia University and former Lead Economist, World Bank; Rosemarie Nagel, Professor at Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Research Professor at ICREA and Barcelona School of Economics, Director of BESLAB, Universitat Pompeu Fabra; and Joseph E. Stiglitz, 2001 Nobel Laureate in Economic Sciences, University Professor, Columbia University.

Camerer’s lecture focused on game theories in which not all agents fully think through what other agents are likely to do. These "cognitive hierarchy" models (including level-k) are consistent with a wide variety of simple and more complex lab and field experiments, some data on neural activity, and have also been usefully applied in basic areas of economics including industrial organization and macroeconomics.

This lecture was co-sponsored by the Center on Global Economic Governance, the Program for Economic Research, and Columbia University Press.
This spring, the Program for Economic Research hosted Luciano Pomatto (CalTech) as a Weekly Visitor. Many thanks for this faculty nomination!

We hope you enjoyed the semester with us and look forward to welcoming you to more events and activities this fall.