# 2005-06 Political Economy Seminars

## Spring 2006

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| Apr 11 | **James Robinson**  
Harvard University | Persistence of Power, Elites and Instructions                         |
| Apr 25 | **Kenneth Shepsle**  
Harvard University | Information, Institutions, and Constitutional Arrangements  
Joint with Abhinay Muthoo                                         |
| May 9  | **Timothy Groseclose**  
UC Los Angeles | A Rational-Choice, Formal-Theoretic Argument Against the Existence of Sophisticated Voting in Legislatures |
| May 23 | **Navin Kartik**  
UC San Diego | Signaling Character in Electoral Competition                         |
| Jun 6  | **David Baron**  
Stanford University | A Positive Theory of Moral Management, Social Pressure, and Corporate Social Performance |

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| Jan 17 | **Erik Snowberg**  
| Jan 31 | **Ernesto Dal Bo**  
| Feb 4  | **Romain Wacziarg**  
Stanford GSB | The Diffusion of Development                                           |
| Feb 28 | **Rohini Pande**  
Yale University | Parochial Politics: Ethnic Competition and Politician Corruption in India |
| Mar 14 | **Justin Fox**  
Yale University | Electoral Donations and Interest Group Influence                       |
| Mar 28 | **David Austen-Smith**  
Kellogg School of Management | Deliberation, Preference Uncertainty and Voting Rules                  |

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| Sep 27 | **David Baron**  
Stanford GSB | Corporate Social Responsibility and Private and Social Entrepreneurship |
| Oct 11 | **Jon Bendor**  
Stanford GSB | V.O.Key Formalized: Retrospective Voting as Adaptive Behavior          |
| Oct 27 | **Torsten Persson**  
Institute for International Economic Studies | Democratic Capital: The Nexus of Political and Economic Change |
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<td>Keith Krehbiel</td>
<td>Stanford GSB</td>
<td>Presidential Appointments and Policy Gridlock (research in progress)</td>
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<td>Per Pettersson-Lidbom</td>
<td>Stockholm University</td>
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