# 2011-12 Political Economy Seminars

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Columbia University         | Democracy, Targeted Redistribution and Ethnic Inequality   |
| Apr 17| Caroline Hoxby
Stanford University Department of Economics | The Hated Property Tax: Salience, Tax Rates, and Tax Revolts |
| May 1 | Shanker Satyanath
NYU Department of Politics      | Natural Resource Shocks and Conflict in India’s Red Belt   |
| May 8 | Luke Keele
Penn State University          | How Much is Minnesota Like Wisconsin? Assumptions and Counterfactuals in Causal Inference with Observational Data |
| May 15| Terry Moe
Stanford University Department of Political Science | Public Sector Unions and the Costs of Government Joint with Sarah F. Anzia |
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Princeton University            |                                                            |

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The University of Warwick  | Social Choice and Individual Reports of Subjective Well-Being |
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London School of Economics        | The Effects of Democratization on Economics Policy: Evidence from China |
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UCLA Anderson School of Management| Economic Integration and Structural Change                  |
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NYU                                      | What Democracy Does (and Doesn’t) Do for Basic Services: School Fees, School Inputs, and African Elections |

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Warwick University                | Information Aggregation and Optimal Structure of the Executive |
| Oct 11| Abhijit Banerjee
MIT Department of Economics       | Do Informed Voters Make Better Choices? Experimental Evidence from Urban India |
| Oct 25| Gregory Huber
Yale University                   | Sources of Bias in Retrospective Decision-Making: Experimental Evidence on Voters Limitations in Controlling Incumbents |
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Princeton University              | Complexity, Capacity, and Capture                           |
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