1996-97 Calendar

October 18:

Ralph Gomory, President, The Sloan Foundation, New York.

Field/ Subfield: Mathematics, Operations Research / Science Policy and Economics.

Topic: "An Unpredictability Principle For Basic Research"

(Cosponsored by the Office of the UCLA Vice Chancellor for Research and the UCLA Center for Operations and Technology Management

November 1:

Richard Day, Professor of Economics, University of Southern California.

Field/ Subfield: Economics / Economic Dynamics.

Topic: "Macroeconomic Evolution, Long Run Economic Development, And Short-Run Policy Choices"

(Cosponsored by the UCLA Department of Economics and the UCLA Economic Theory Workshop)

November 8:

Theodore Marmor, Professor of Public Policy and Management, Yale School of Management, and Professor of Political Science, Yale University.

Field/ Subfield: Operations Research / Health and Welfare

Topic: "How Not To Think About America's Welfare State: Illustrations From Social Security, Medicare, And Welfare"

November 15:

Avinash Dixit, Sherrerd University Professor of Economics, Princeton University.

Field/ Subfield: Economic Theory / Political Economy.

Topic: "Ideology, Tactics, And Efficiency In Redistributive Politics"

(Cosponsored by the UCLA Workshop in Political Economy and the UCLA Economic Theory Workshop)

December 6:

Michael Arbib, USC Brain Project, University of Southern California,

Field/ Subfield: The Interplay of Computer Science and Neuroscience/ Visumotor Coordination in Animals and Robots; Computational Systems for Neuroscience Research.

Topic: "Warren McCulloch's Search For The Logic Of The Nervous System"

(Cosponsored by the UCLA Computer Science Department, the UCLA Cognitive Science Group, and the UCLA Brain Research Institute)

January 17:

Christof Koch, Professor of Computation and Neural Systems, California Institute of Technology.

Field/ Subfield: Biology and Computer Science/ Biophysics of Computation.

Topic: "Neuronal Correlates Of Consciousness"

(Cosponsored by the UCLA Cognitive Science Group)

January 31:

Reginald G. Golledge, Professor of Geography, University of California, Santa Barbara.

Field/ Subfield: Geography / Behavioral Geography.

Topic: "Experiments In Human Wayfinding: Cognitive Mapping And Human Navigation"

(Cosponsored by the UCLA Department of Geography)

February 14:

David Baron, Kimball Professor of Business, Economics, and Environment, Graduate School of Business, Stanford University.

Field/ Subfield: Economics / Political Science.

Topic: "Dynamics of Collective Choice"

(Cosponsored by the UCLA Workshop in Political Economy and the UCLA Economic Theory Workshop)

February 28:

Marvin Minsky, Toshiba Professor of Media and the Arts, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Field/ Subfield: Artificial Intelligence/ Emotions.

Topic: "Sociable Computers, Emotions And Common Sense"

(Cosponsored by the UCLA Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research, the UCLA School of Engineering and the Applied Science, the UCLA Cognitive Science Group, the UCLA Department of Computer Science, the UCLA Humanities Consortium, the Computational Evolution and Ecology Group and the Center for the Study of Evolution and the Origin of Life)

March 14:

David Krantz, Professor of Psychology, Columbia University.

Field/ Subfield: Psychology/ Mathematical Psychology.

Topic: "Statistical Evidence And Natural Inductive Reasoning"

(Cosponsored by the UCLA Department of Psychology and the UCLA Cognitive Science Group)

April 11:

Robert Spinrad, Vice President, Technology Strategy, Xerox Corporation

Field/Subfield: Computer Science / System Design.

Topic: "Technology Trends"

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(Please note that Robert Spinrad is replacing Vitalii Goldanskii, who had to postpone his visit to UCLA and will present in the 1997-98 year).

April 25:

Rakesh Sarin, Paine Professor of Management, Anderson School of Management UCLA.

Field/ Subfield: Management / Decision Theory.

Topic: "Decisions Under Ambiguity -- Theory And Empirical Findings"

May 9:

Nancy Cartwright, Philosophy, London School of Economics.

Field/ Subfield: Philosophy / Philosophy of Science, especially Physics and Economics.

Topic: "The Limits of Causal Order, With Applications To Physics And Economics"

May 16:

Clark Glymour, Fellow, Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences; Valtz Family Professor of Philosophy, University of California, San Diego.

Field/ Subfield: Artificial Intelligence / Statistics.

Topic: "Causal Inference"

(Cosponsored by the UCLA Department of Philosophy)

May 23:

Leda Cosmides, Associate Professor of Psychology, University of California, Santa Barbara, Co-Director, Center for Evolutionary Psychology, UCSB.

Field/ Subfield: Cognitive Psychology / Evolutionary Psychology and Human Reasoning.

John Tooby, Associate Professor of Anthropology, University of California, Santa Barbara, Co-Director, Center for Evolutionary Psychology, UCSB.

Field/ Subfield : Biological Anthropology / Evolutionary Psychology.

Topic: "Adaptation And Evolution Of Decision-Making Process And Human Reasoning"

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