

2008-09 Calendar

October 3:

[Robert Boyd](#), Professor of Anthropology, UCLA and External Faculty Member, Santa Fe Institute

Field/Subfield: Anthropology/Biological Anthropology

Topic: "[Models of Human Cooperation](#)"

Cosponsored by the UCLA Department of Anthropology

October 6:

[James J. Heckman](#), The Henry Schultz Distinguished Service Professor in Economics, University of Chicago, 2000 Nobel Laureate in Economics

Field/Subfield: Economics/Econometrics, with Applications to the Origins of Inequality and the Evaluation of Social Programs

Topic: "[The Economics and Psychology of Inequality and Human Development](#)"

Cosponsored by the UCLA Department of Economics, the California Center for Population Research (CCPR) and Department of Public Policy of the UCLA School of Public Affairs

October 17:

[Preston McAfee](#), Vice President and Research Fellow, Yahoo! Research and J. Stanley Johnson Professor Business, Economics, and Management at the California Institute of Technology

Field/Subfield: Economics/Microeconomics, Business Strategy, and Managerial Economics

Topic: "[Pricing](#)"

Cosponsored by the UCLA Department of Economics

October 31:

[Christopher S. Tang](#), Edward Carter Professor of Business Administration, UCLA Anderson School of Management

Field/Subfield: Business Administration and Management/Production Planning, Supply Chain Management, and the Marketing/Manufacturing Interface

Topic: "[Supply Chain Risk Management](#)"

Cosponsored by the Decisions, Operations and Technology Management Area of UCLA Anderson School of Management

November 14:

[Michael D. Intriligator](#), Professor of Economics, Political Science, and Public Policy, UCLA, and Co-Director of the Marschak Colloquium ([watch slides](#)) and [Axel](#)

Leijonhufvud, Emeritus Professor of Economics, UCLA and Professor of Monetary Economics, University of Trento, Italy ([watch slides](#)).

Field/Subfield: Economics/Economic and Political Policy

Topic: "[The Current Worldwide Financial and Economic Crisis](#)"

In Public Affairs Building 2270, UCLA

December 5:

Chancellor [Gene D. Block](#), Chancellor of UCLA, Professor of Psychiatry and Bio-behavioral Sciences in the David Geffen School of Medicine, UCLA and Professor of Physiological Science in the College of Letters and Science, UCLA

Field/Subfield: Physiology and Psychiatry/Biological Clocks, Aging, and Sleep-related Biological Research

Topic: "[Biological Clocks](#)"

January 16:

[John Bragin](#), Lecturer and Academic Coordinator, UCLA Human Complex Systems Program

Field/Subfield: Complexity Science/Human Complex Systems

Topic: "[Cities as Complex Adaptive Systems](#)"

Cosponsored by the UCLA Human Complex Systems Program

January 30:

[Andrew Sabl](#), Associate Professor of Public Policy, UCLA

Field/Subfield: Political Science/Political Theory and Ethics

Topic: "[Leadership and the Struggle for Focal Points](#)"

Cosponsored by the Department of Public Policy of the UCLA School of Public Affairs

February 13:

[L. Stephen Coles](#), M.D., Ph.D., Visiting Scholar in the UCLA Department of Computer Science and Co-Founder, Los Angeles Gerontology Research Group, Field/Subfield:

Gerontology/Supercentenarians - Persons who have Lived to be 110 Years or Older

Topic: "[Secrets of the Oldest Old](#)"

February 20:

[Judy Estrin](#), CEO, J Labs and Author, Closing the Innovation Gap

Field/Subfield: Science, Technology & Innovation/Leadership/Policy/Education

Topic: "[Sustainable Innovation: What is required of business, education and government leaders to revive America's Innovation Ecosystem](#)"

Cosponsored by the UCLA Department of Computer Science

February 27:

Judea Pearl, Professor of Computer Science and Statistics, UCLA
Field/Subfield: Artificial Intelligence/Statistics/Philosophy/Causal Inference
Topic: "Causes and Counterfactuals: The Foundations of Empirical Studies in the Social, Behavioral, Economic and Health Sciences"
Cosponsored by the UCLA Department of Computer Science, Economics, Political Science, and Public Policy

April 10:

[Frank Gilliam](#), Professor of Political Science and Public Policy, UCLA; Associate Vice Chancellor Community Partnerships, UCLA; Director, UCLA Center for Communications and Community; and Dean of the UCLA School of Public Affairs
Field/Subfield: Political Science/Racial and Ethnic Politics, Mass Media, and Electoral Behavior
Topic: "[Frame Analysis, Mass Communications, and Social Policy](#)"
Cosponsored by the Department of Public Policy of the UCLA School of Public Affairs

April 24:

[George Loewenstein](#), Herbert A. Simon Professor of Economics and Psychology, Carnegie Mellon University
Field/Subfield: Psychology/Judgment and Decision Making with Special Interest in Decision Making over Time, Negotiations, Risk Perception, and Applications of Psychology to Economics and Law
Topic: "The Economist as Therapist: Using Ideas from Behavioral Economics to Improve Health"
Cosponsored by the Behavioral Decision Making Group of the UCLA Anderson School of Management

May 8:

THE 2008-2009 MARSCHAK MEMORIAL LECTURE: [Freeman Dyson](#), Professor Emeritus of Physics, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton
Field/Subfield: Social and Political Problems Arising Out of Science and Technology.
Topic: "[Domestication of Biotechnology](#)" Cosponsored by the UCLA Department of Chemistry, the UCLA Department of Physics and Astronomy, the UCLA Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, the UCLA Center for Society and Genetics, the UCLA Biotech Training Program, and the UCLA Institute for Pure and Applied Mathematics (IPAM).

May 22:

[Steve Fienberg](#), Maurice Falk University Professor of Statistics and Social Science, Carnegie Mellon University
Field/Subfield: Statistics/Development of statistical methodology, especially for problems involving categorical variables

Co-sponsored by the Department of Statistics

June 5:

Angela Hawken, Associate Professor of Public Policy, Pepperdine University

Field/Subfield: Economics/Social and Political Problems Arising Out of Science and Technology

Topic: "Is Corruption Measurable?"