

Workshop on the Economics of Crime for Junior Scholars (WEC Junior)

29 - 30 May 2025

The Quattrone Center - UPenn Carey Law

DAY 1: Thursday, May 29

08:30 **Coffee & Light Breakfast**

9:00 **Session 1: Social Capital**

Murder in the Marketplace

Presenter: Zachary Porreca (Bocconi University)

Discussant: Dean Knox (University of Pennsylvania)

Non-State Social Structures and Social Capital: Evidence on Crime and Conflict

Presenter: Natalia Guerrero-Trinidad (University of Minnesota)

Discussant: Emma Rackstraw (Quattrone Center)

A Picture Worth a Thousand Words: The Effect of Murals on Crime

Presenter: Maya Moritz (University of Pennsylvania)

Discussant: Matt Ross (Northeastern University)

11:15 **Break**

11:30 **Session 2: Organized Crime**

Breaking the Gang: A Preventive Approach to Reduce Recruitment in Schools

Presenter: Carlos Schmidt-Padilla (University of California, Berkeley)

Discussant: Aaron Chalfin (University of Pennsylvania)

Mafia in Public Tenders: The Effects on Firms' Competition

Presenter: Marlene Thomas (European University Institute)

Discussant: Jon Klick (University of Pennsylvania)

13:00 **Lunch**

14:00 **Session 3: Diversion**

Prison Break: The Causal Impact of Replacing Short Incarceration with Fines

Presenter: Andrea Ghisletta (University of Basel)

Discussant: Aurelie Ouss (University of Pennsylvania)

'Diversion, a deterrence to delinquency?' The impact of Florida's Juvenile Civil Citation Program on recidivism

Presenter: Tessie Krishna (San Diego State University)

Discussant: Roman Rivera (Princeton University)

15:30 **Break**

16:00 **Session 4: Incarceration**

A Second Chance at Schooling? Unintended Consequences of Prison Education

Presenter: Romaine Campbell (Cornell University)

Discussant: Magdalena Dominguez (Institute for Fiscal Studies)

Standing in Prisoners' Shoes: A Randomized Trial on How Incarceration Shapes Criminal Justice Views

Presenter: Aljosha Henkel (ETH Zurich)

Discussant: David Abrams (University of Pennsylvania)

18:00 **Dinner (by invitation)**

DAY 2: Friday, May 30

08:30 **Coffee & Light Breakfast**

09:00 **Session 5: Domestic Violence**

Social Pensions and Intimate Partner Violence against Older Women

Presenter: Cristina Belles Obrero (Institut d'Anàlisi Econòmica)

Discussant: Aria Golestani (Cornell University)

'As time goes by' The effectiveness of protection orders in reducing intimate partner violence recidivism

Presenter: Marti Rovira (Universitat Pompeu Fabra)

Discussant: Nuria Rodriguez Planas (CUNY & IEB)

10:30 **Break**

10:45 **Session 6: Keynote talk**

Amanda Agan (Cornell University)

12:00 **Lunch**

13:00 **Session 7: Legal Assistance**

 Justice for all? The impact of legal aid in India

 Presenter: Nitin Kumar Bharti (NYU Abu Dhabi)

 Discussant: Britte Van Tiem (University of Maryland)

 The Impacts of Reduced Access to Legal Assistance: Evidence from England and

Wales

 Presenter: Juliet-Nil Uraz (London School of Economics)

 Discussant: Paul Heaton (University of Pennsylvania)

14:30 **Break**

15:00 **Session 8: Methods**

 Measuring Discrimination Using Natural Experiments

 Presenter: Nikhil Rao (University of Michigan)

 Discussant: CarlyWill Sloan (West Point)

 Prison, Probation, & the Community

 Presenter: Sam Kang (University of St. Gallen)

 Discussant: Greg Ridgeway (University of Pennsylvania)

16:30 **Adjourn**

Organizers: Emma Rackstraw (Quattrone Center), Magdalena Domínguez (Institute for Fiscal Studies), and Aria Golestani (Cornell).

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