

# CEAR/Huebner Conference

## *5th Annual Summer Risk Institute*

**Monday and Tuesday, July 30-31, 2018**

### **General Information**

The CEAR/Huebner Summer Risk Institute aims to expose Ph.D. students and faculty interested in risk and uncertainty to relevant cutting-edge models, tools, and theory. The targeted audience includes faculty and Ph.D. students interested in the economics of risk but who are located at colleges and universities that do not have access to specialized Ph.D. seminars courses covering the most recent research advances in these areas. The institute consists of lectures given by leading scholars in the fields of risk and uncertainty.

### **Organizers**

Alejandro del Valle (Georgia State University) is the organizer of this workshop. Contact Alejandro at [adelvalle@gsu.edu](mailto:adelvalle@gsu.edu) with questions about the workshop's program, and CEAR at [cear@gsu.edu](mailto:cear@gsu.edu) with questions regarding participation and logistics.

### **Sponsors and Funding**

The conference is sponsored and funded by the S.S. Huebner Foundation for Insurance Education, as well as the Center for the Economic Analysis of Risk (CEAR), located in the J. Mack Robinson College of Business at Georgia State University. Go to [huebnerfoundation.org](http://huebnerfoundation.org) for more information on the Huebner Foundation, and [cear.gsu.edu](http://cear.gsu.edu) for more information on CEAR.

Standard travel and accommodation support for presenters and keynote speakers will be provided, and we will contact those parties directly for procedures and guidelines.

### **Attendance**

Interested scholars are welcome to register without cost, space permitting. Please register for the institute online, at [CEAR's web page](#). Limited financial support may be available for interested doctoral students to cover some costs of attendance (e.g. hotel and meals while attending), but we are unable to offer assistance with airfare or travel costs for attendees.

### **Location**

The workshop will be held in the Joiner Seminar Room, which is located on the 12<sup>th</sup> floor of the 55 Park Place Building at Georgia State University. Here is a map link to [55 Park Place](#); the physical address is 55 Park Place Northeast, Atlanta, GA 30303. You will need to check-in at the front desk before proceeding to the 12<sup>th</sup> floor – please bring a photo ID for verification.

### **Lodging**

CEAR will book and manage lodging reservations for all presenters and for some guests, whenever possible. CEAR will contact the presenters directly to determine their lodging needs. All other attendees needing lodging assistance should indicate your need during registration, and we will make every effort to accommodate. Lodging expenses that can be covered for attendees include two (2) nights at the host hotel; any other expenses, or additional nights, would be at your own expense. If you would rather book your lodging on your own, there are a number of options within walking distance – be aware that you may not be able to secure our pre-negotiated rates.

### **Internet Access**

For guests without a GSU affiliation, please log into the network with the following details:

<u>Network:</u>	<u>Username:</u>	<u>Password</u> (case-sensitive):
GSU-Guest	Huebner18	CEARsri18

## **Directions**

### *MARTA Subway:*

55 Park Place is within a 10-minute walk of two MARTA stations: **Peachtree Center** and **Five Points**. The Peachtree Center station is closer to the conference building, and the Five Points station is located at the intersection of all MARTA lines. Walking directions from these two stations can be found at the following links:

- Peachtree Center – <https://goo.gl/maps/65SiruCAu3s>
- Five Points – <https://goo.gl/maps/M39PKei8dCm>

One-way Rail Rides cost \$2.50 (plus a transit card fee), and multiple-day passes are also available for purchase. Tickets can be easily purchased from vending machines at all MARTA stations. This is by far the easiest method and is on a direct line to Atlanta International Airport. Here is a map of the [MARTA rail system](#).

### *Driving:*

From Interstate 75/85 (the connector) **going NORTH** take exit 248B for Edgewood Ave toward Auburn Ave / J W Dobbs Ave. Continue onto Fort St NE, and then turn left onto Auburn Ave NE. Continue on Auburn Ave for approximately 0.5 miles. Just after the intersection with Peachtree Center Ave NE, the building will be on the right – 55 Park Place. We will have parking validations available, if you would like to park in the garage in the bottom of the building; otherwise, there are other pay lots and garages nearby. Please note that the building's main entrance is located on the right-hand side of Park Place NE.

From Interstate 75/85 (the connector) **going SOUTH** take exit 249A for Courtland St toward Georgia State University. Stay towards the right and continue on Courtland St through the next 5 traffic lights (approximately 0.4 miles). Turn right at the sixth light onto Auburn Ave NE. After going through one intersection, the building will be on the right – 55 Park Place. We will have parking validations available, if you would like to park in the garage in the bottom of the building; otherwise, there are other pay lots and garages nearby. Please note that the building's main entrance is located on the right-hand side of Park Place NE.

## **Parking**

There is a parking lot underneath the building – 55 Park Place – and we will have parking validations available, if you would like to park there; otherwise, there are other pay lots and garages nearby, but we cannot reimburse attendees who use these other options. Please note that the building's main entrance is located on the right-hand side of Park Place NE.

**PROGRAM – Monday, July 30, 2018**

10:00 – 12:00	“Risk, Heterogeneity and Productivity in Development Economics” – Lecture #1 Christopher Udry (Northwestern University)
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch (provided)
13:00 – 15:00	“Strategies to Increase Adoption of Welfare-Improving Technologies” – Lecture #1 Ahmed Mushfiq Mobarak (Yale University)
15:00 – 15:15	Coffee Break (provided)
15:15 – 16:30	“Breaking the mold of traditional insurance: AXA Global Parametrics” Karina Whalley (AXA)
16:30 – 17:45	PhD Round-table to discuss research
18:00 – TDB	Conference Dinner for speakers and invited guests

**PROGRAM – Tuesday, July 31, 2018**

09:45 – 10:00	Coffee and light breakfast (provided)
10:00 – 12:00	“Risk, Heterogeneity and Productivity in Development Economics” – Lecture #2 Christopher Udry (Northwestern University)
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch (provided)
13:00 – 15:00	“Strategies to Increase Adoption of Welfare-Improving Technologies” – Lecture #2 Ahmed Mushfiq Mobarak (Yale University)
15:00 – 15:15	Coffee Break (provided)
15:15 – 16:30	“Evaluating the Welfare of Index Insurance” Glenn Harrison (Georgia State University, CEAR)
16:30	Conference adjourns