EMPIRICS AND METHODS IN ECONOMICS
4th ANNUAL CONFERENCE – October 11-12, 2019

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Empirics and Methods in Economics Conference (EMCON) is a two-day student-run conference for PhD students interested in applied topics and empirical methods in Economics. The conference offers students an excellent opportunity to present their work, exchange ideas with their peers, and receive feedback from a discussant and a diverse audience.

This year’s conference will take place on October 11-12, 2019 at The University of Chicago’s Kenneth C. Griffin Department of Economics. The conference is jointly organized by PhD students in Economics from The University of Chicago and Northwestern University.

We are pleased to announce this year’s keynote speech will be delivered by Prof. Joshua Angrist, the Ford Professor of Economics at MIT. The closing remarks will be delivered by Prof. Molly Schnell, Assistant Professor of Economics at Northwestern University.

We invite submissions of single- or co-authored papers from PhD students and postdoctoral researchers working on a broad range of empirical topics. We especially encourage the submission of papers addressing challenging empirical questions with interesting methodological approaches, including creative reduced-form strategies, original structural estimation frameworks, and novel datasets. Examples of relevant fields are behavioral and experimental economics, development, econometrics, education, environmental and energy, empirical finance, health, industrial organization, economic history, international trade, labor, applied macroeconomics, political economy, public economics, and urban economics. Econometric theory paper submissions will also be considered, so long as there is a motivating empirical application.

The conference is generously supported by the Global Poverty Research Lab (GPRL), the Becker-Friedman Institute (BFI), Center for Applied Microeconomics at Northwestern University and the Department of Economics at Northwestern University. Partial reimbursement for travel expenses is available on a case-by-case basis. Meals during the conference will be covered, but we are not able to pay for participants’ accommodations. If requested, we will do our best to match conference participants with local student hosts.

Submission guidelines

The deadline for submissions is July 22nd, 2019. All submissions should be done through the submission link on our website at www.emconference.net.

Submissions to the conference must include a PDF of the substantially completed paper with the main results.

Applicants will be notified of acceptance decisions by September 1st, 2019.

For further information about the conference, please contact emconference2019@gmail.com or visit the conference website at www.emconference.net.