

# University of Houston

## Second Economic PhD Alumni Conference

Location: Bates Law Building, University of Houston and virtual  
(Please register by April 10: [link to register](#))

Date: May 6 -7, 2023

6-May		
8:30 – 9:00	Light breakfast and welcome remark	
9:00 - 9:35	Mevlude Akbulut-Yuksel (2009, Professor, Dalhousie University)	World War II Blues: The Long-lasting Mental Health Effect of Childhood Trauma (Erdal Tekin and Belgi Turan (2011, Assistant Professor TOBB-University of Economics and Technology))
9:35-10:10	Nishith Prakash (2008, Professor, Northeastern University)	Can Destigmatizing Mental Health Increase Willingness to Seek Help? Experimental Evidence from Nepal
10:10 - 10:30	Break	
10:30-11:05	Santosh Kumar (2009, Associate Professor, University of Notre Dame)	Inclusive Growth through Microfinance and Entrepreneurial Training: New Evidence from a Randomized Evaluation
11:05-11:40	Elizabeth Luh (2020, Post-Doctoral Research Fellow, University of Michigan)	Criminal court fees, earnings, and expenditures: A multi-state RD analysis of survey and administrative data
11:40 – 1:00	Lunch	
1:00-2:00	Iftekhhar Hasan (1987, Professor and E. Gerald Corrigan Chair in International Business and Finance, Fordham University),  Nishith Prakash (2008, Professor, Northeastern University)  Amrita Dhar (2016, Associate Professor, University of Mary Washington) (virtual) Chair: Kei-Mu Yi	How to Cope with Academia
2:00-2:20	Break	
2:20-3:20	Yeabin Moon (2022, Senior Lecturer, Brandeis International Business School) (virtual)  Shreyasee Das (2012, Instructional Assistant Professor, Temple University)  Shreya Bhattacharya (2020, Senior Research Analyst, William and Mary's Global Research Institute)	Non Tenure Track and Other Academic Positions
3:20-3:40	Break	
3:40-5:20	Margo Bergman (2003, Senior Research Scientist, Amazon) (virtual)  Subash Khattry (2017, Senior Vice President, Citibank) (virtual)  Jacob Smith (2016, Partner, Wincoram Asset Management)	Jobs in Private Sectors

	Randy Crouch (2015, Senior Research Economist, Litigation Analytics) Mayank Gautam (2008, Associate Director, Deloitte)	
6:00	Happy hour and dinner (Location: TBD)	

### 7-May

9:00-9:30 (virtual)	Somdeep Chatterjee (2016, Assistant Professor, Economics group at the Indian Institute of Management Calcutta)	The "Art" of Learning: Evidence from a Randomized Pedagogical Experiment in India (Josie Chen and Chon-Kit Ao (2016, Associate Professor, National Cheng Kung University))
9:30-10:00 (virtual)	Iryna Hayduk (2014, Associate Professor, College of Business, Clayton State University)	Local Mass Layoffs and Juvenile Delinquency
10:00-10:20	Break	
10:20 -10:55	Christopher Biolsi (2015, Assistant Professor, Western Kentucky University)	Fiscal Shocks and Time Use Within the Family
10:55-11:30	Dmytro Hryshko (2006, Associate Professor, University of Alberta)	Income Dynamics and Consumption Insurance
11:30-12:05	Priyam Verma (2021, Post-Doctoral Research Fellow, Aix-Marseille University)	The Size Distribution of Cities: Evidence from a Lab
12:05	Lunch and closing remark	