

Winter 2020
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:30-11:20am

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Econ 244: Market Failures and Public Policy

This course will cover selected topics in applied microeconomics, with particular focus on insurance and credit markets (aka “selection markets”), markets for innovation, and healthcare markets. The common theme (as the course name suggests) is that in all three contexts there are good a priori reasons to be concerned about potential market failures, suggesting that some type of government intervention or regulation may be critical for achieving efficient market outcomes. These three markets are also particularly useful in illustrating the connection and interplay between economic research and public policy.

The focus of the course will be on topics, not methods, and will therefore cater to a broad set of students – especially those with interests in applied microeconomics, broadly defined. While, formally, this class is not attached to any of the second-year sequences, it should be particularly complementary to the second-year sequences in IO and public economics.

In addition to discussing existing work and bringing students closer to the research frontier, the course will emphasize areas of inquiry where additional research is feasible and warranted, thus hopefully generating possible leads for second-year research papers.

Course logistics and requirements

The class meets regularly on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:30–11:20am in Room 218 (Landau Economics). A tentative list of lectures is below. We will be using Canvas to post material and send announcements.

Student requirements will include three components (weight in the final grade in parentheses):

1. Problem sets that will mostly include reviews of papers, concepts, and research ideas (30%)
2. Class attendance, preparation, participation, and occasional short class presentations (35%)
3. Research paper proposal (35%)

Class topics and schedule

A. Selection markets (Liran)

1. Tue, Jan 7: Intro to selection markets
2. Thu, Jan 9: Testing for asymmetric information
3. Tue, Jan 14: Empirical models of insurance demand
4. Thu, Jan 16: Empirical models of insurance demand
5. Tue, Jan 21: Estimating welfare in insurance markets
6. Thu, Jan 23: Credit markets
7. Tue, Jan 28: Credit markets
8. Thu, Jan 30: Reclassification risk vs. adverse selection

B. Markets for innovation (Heidi)

9. Tue, Feb 4: Introduction to markets for innovation
10. Thu, Feb 6: Market size and market design
11. Tue, Feb 11: Economics of science
12. Thu, Feb 13: Taxes and innovation
13. Tue, Feb 18: Public funding of research
14. Thu, Feb 20: Intellectual property rights
15. Tue, Feb 25: Immigration and innovation
16. Thu, Feb 27: Innovation and inequality

C. Healthcare markets (Liran and Heidi)

17. Tue, Mar 3: Entry regulation for medical technologies (Heidi)
18. Thu, Mar 5: Risk adjustments (Liran)
19. Tue, Mar 10: Unintended consequences (Liran)
20. Thu, Mar 12: Estimating the returns to medical spending (Heidi)

Reading List

(*) = paper discussed in class

A. Selection markets

1. Theoretical background

- Akerlof, "The Market for 'Lemons': Quality Uncertainty and the Market Mechanism," QJE, 1970.
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- Arrow, Essays in the Theory of Risk Bearing (Chicago: Markham, 1971).
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- Chiappori and Salanie, "Testing Contract Theory: A Survey of Some Recent Work," in M. Dewatripont and L. Hansen, ed., Advances in Economics.
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- Genesove, "Adverse Selection in the Wholesale Used Car Market," JPE, 1993.
- Israel, "Do We Drive More Safely When Accidents Are More Expensive? Identifying Moral Hazard from Experience Rating Schemes," working paper.
- Pueltz and Snow, "Evidence on Adverse Selection: Equilibrium Signaling and Cross-Subsidization in the Insurance Market," JPE, 1994.

3. Estimating Demand for Insurance

- (*)Cardon and Hendel, "Asymmetric Information in Health Insurance: Evidence from the National Medical Expenditure Survey," RAND, 2001.
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5. Credit Markets

- Ausubel, "The Failure of Competition in the Credit Card Market," AER 1991.
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- Jaffee and Russell, "Imperfect Information, Uncertainty and Credit Rationing," QJE, 1976.
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- Stiglitz and Weiss, "Credit Rationing in Markets with Imperfect Information," AER, 1981.

B. Markets for innovation

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 - i. (*)Acemoglu, Daron, and Joshua Linn (2004) "Market Size in Innovation: Theory and Evidence from the Pharmaceutical Industry," *Quarterly Journal of Economics* 119(3): 1049-1090. [\[link\]](#)
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3. Economics of science

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 - iii. Stephan, Paula (2012). *How Economics Shapes Science*. Cambridge, Massachusetts; London, England: Harvard University Press.
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