VIRTUAL MUNICIPAL FINANCE WORKSHOP 2020

Welcome to the Virtual Municipal Finance Workshop! The purpose of this workshop is to bring together junior and seasoned academics to present and discuss research on contemporary issues in municipal finance, a fast-growing subfield of finance which tackles important issues for local governments and "main street" investors.

The schedule of presentations is provided below. Each workshop presentation will take place on Wednesday from 12:00pm to 1:00pm EDT during the Fall 2020 semester. Presenters will be provided with 45 minutes to present their research, with intermittent breakpoints for questions from the audience. The final 15 minutes of the hour is reserved for additional questions from the audience. A link to each paper can be found by clicking on the title of the paper. The presenter of each paper is indicated in bold. Participants can access the virtual Zoom session using the "Event Registration" link provided for each week.

Questions can be directed to the seminar co-organizers, Pengjie Gao from the University of Notre Dame (pgao@nd.edu), Dermot Murphy from the University of Illinois at Chicago (murphyd@uic.edu), and Daniel Garrett from the University of Pennsylvania (danielgg@wharton.upenn.edu).

Please click here if you would like to subscribe to the Virtual Municipal Finance Workshop newsletter, which provides weekly updates about upcoming workshop presentations during the Fall 2020 semester.

Week 1: Wednesday, September 16, 2020, 12:00pm – 1:00pm EDT

Calling All Issuers
Huaizhi Chen, University of Notre Dame
Lauren Cohen, Harvard University
Weiling Liu, Northeastern University

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Week 2: Wednesday, September 23, 2020, 12:00pm – 1:00pm EDT

Sea Level Rise and Municipal Bond Yields
Paul Goldsmith-Pinkham, Yale University
Matthew Gustafson, Pennsylvania State University
Ryan Lewis, University of Colorado
Michael Schwert, University of Pennsylvania

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Week 3: Wednesday, September 30, 2020, 12:00pm – 1:00pm EDT

    Does Fiscal Monitoring Make Better Governments? Evidence from US Municipalities
    Anya Nakhmurina, Yale University

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Week 4: Wednesday, October 7, 2020, 12:00pm – 1:00pm EDT

    Conflicts of Interest in Municipal Bond Advising and Underwriting
    Daniel Garrett, University of Pennsylvania

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Week 5: Wednesday, October 14, 2020, 12:00pm – 1:00pm EDT

    Public Pensions and State Government Borrowing Costs
    Chuck Boyer, University of Chicago

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Week 6: Wednesday, October 21, 2020, 12:00pm – 1:00pm EDT

    Public Employee Pensions and Municipal Insolvency
    Sean Myers, NBER and University of Pennsylvania

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Week 7: Wednesday, October 28, 2020, 12:00pm – 1:00pm EDT

    Contagion or Creative Destruction? Impact of Corporate Bankruptcies on Local Governments
    Sudheer Chava, Georgia Institute of Technology
    Baridhi Malakar, Georgia Institute of Technology
    Manpreet Singh, Georgia Institute of Technology

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Week 8: Wednesday, November 4, 2020, 12:00pm – 1:00pm EDT

The Price of Safety: The Evolution of Insurance Value in Municipal Markets
> *Kimberly Cornaggia, Pennsylvania State University*
> ***John Hund, University of Georgia***
> *Giang Nguyen, Pennsylvania State University*

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Week 9: Wednesday, November 11, 2020, 12:00pm – 1:00pm EDT

> **The Economic Consequences of GASB Financial Statement Disclosure**
> *Michael Dambra, State University of New York at Buffalo*
> *Omri Even-Tov, University of California – Berkeley*
> ***James Naughton, University of Virginia***

- Event Registration
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Week 10: Wednesday, November 18, 2020, 12:00pm – 1:00pm EDT

> **The Term Structure of Municipal Bond Yields, Local Economic Conditions, and Local Stock Returns**
> ***Fotis Grigoris, Indiana University***

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