The economics of crime and justice
Discussing recent work on the economics of crime and the criminal justice system.

4-5 June 2021, ONLINE. Times shown in BST.

Friday 04 June

15:00 Welcome and introduction

15:05 Session 1: Domestic violence
Consequences of domestic violence for victims and their families
Gordon Dahl (University of California, San Diego)

Specialization in criminal courts: decision making, recidivism, and re-victimization in domestic violence courts in Tennessee
Emily Owens (University of California, Irvine)

Discussants: Martin Koppensteiner (University of Surrey), and Esther Arenas Arroyo (Vienna University of Economics and Business)

16:20 Break

16:30 Session 2: Discrimination
A simple test for prejudice in decision processes: the prediction-based outcome test
Nicolás Grau (University of Chile)

Measuring Racial Discrimination in Algorithms
Peter Hull (University of Chicago)

Discussants: Derek Neal (University of Chicago), and Rui Costa (Centre for Economic Performance, LSE)

17:45 Break

18:00 Session 3: Policing
Productivity and teamwork: crew size effects in policing
Matteo Sandi (London School of Economics)

Does race matter for police use of force? Evidence from 911 calls
CarlyWill Sloan (Claremont Graduate University)

Discussants: Giovanni Mastrobuoni (University of Essex), and Miguel Morales-Mosquera (University of Chicago)

19:15 End of day one
Saturday 05 June

15:00 Welcome and introduction to day two

15:05 Session 4: Anti-crime

Breaking the code: can a new penal procedure affect public safety?
Carlos Diaz (Catholic University of Uruguay)

Predicting and preventing gun violence: an experimental evaluation of READI Chicago
Sara Heller (University of Michigan)

Discussants: Jeffrey Grogger (University of Chicago), and Jennifer Doleac (Texas A&M University)

16:20 Break

16:30 Session 5: Gangs

Sweeping up gangs: the effects of tough-on-crime policies from a network approach
Magdalena Domínguez (University of Barcelona)

Market structure and extortion: evidence from 50,000 extortion payments
Mica Sviatschi (Princeton University)

Discussants: Santiago Tobón (Universidad EAFIT), and Stephen Machin (Centre for Economic Performance, LSE)

17:45 Break

18:00 Session 6: Finale

Discontinuities in the age-victimization profile and the determinants of victimization
Randi Hjalmarsson (University of Gothenburg)

Misdemeanor prosecution
Jennifer Doleac (Texas A&M University)

Discussants: Yotam Shem-Tov (UCLA, Economics), and Tom Kirchmaier (Centre for Economic Performance, LSE)

19:15 Online social

Presenters and discussants note that the session format is as follows:
20 min. for each presenter
10 min. for each discussant, with the first discussant remarking on the first paper, and the second one on the second paper.
Followed by 15 min. for questions from the floor.