



XIX RIDGE FORUM WORKSHOP ON LABOR

2024 RIDGE MAY FORUM

Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, Chile

May 16-17, 2024

Head of the Network

Sergio Urzúa (University of Maryland)

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Sergio Urzúa (University of Maryland)

Keynote speaker

David Card (UC Berkeley)

WORKSHOP PROGRAM

Location: Campus San Joaquín, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile - Facultad de Economía y Administración

Presenters will have 25 minutes for their presentation and there will be 5 minutes for Q&A.

Day 1: May, 16 – Room AE208

07:45-	Bus departs from Hotel Ibis Manquehue.
08:45-09:00	Welcome and Opening Remarks: Sergio Urzua (U. of Maryland)
09:00-10:30	Session 1 - Firms and flows When do Firms Profit from Wage Setting Power? Bloesch, Justin (<i>Cornell University</i>) Slow dynamics of job flow rates in Colombian industry Chaves, Alvaro (<i>Universidad Escuela Colombiana</i>) Industry Wage Differentials: A Firm-Based Approach Yi, Moises (<i>U.S. Census Bureau</i>)
10:30-11:00	Coffee Break
11:00-12:30	Session 2 - Households Parenthood and Labor Market Outcomes: Evidence from Chile Heggeness, Misty (<i>University of Kansas</i>) Shooting a Moving Target: Choosing Targeting Tools for Social Programs Beuermann, Diether (<i>IADB</i>) Household Debt and Labor Market Outcomes Ricca, Bernardo (<i>Insper</i>)
12:30-13:30	Lunch

13:30-15:00

Session 3 - Human Capital

School Choice and Class-Size Effects: Unintended Consequences of a Targeted Voucher Program

Gazmuri, Ana Maria (Toulouse School of Economics)

Subjective Beliefs, Uncertainty, and Costs of Investment in Early Childhood

Lee, Marcos (Rice University)

Compensation vs. Reinforcement: Experimental Identification of Parental Aversion to Inequality in Offspring

Pantano, Juan (University of Arizona)

15:00-15:30

Coffee Break

15:30-17:00

Session 4 - Shocks

Leavers and Stayers after Mass Layoffs: Evidence from Brazil

Corado, Natalia (*PUC-Rio*)

The anatomy of the China Shock

Garcia-Couto, Santiago (*Georgetown University*)

Firm Shocks, Workers Earnings and the Extensive Margin

Leon, Ana Sofia (*Universidad Diego Portales*)

17:30-18:30

"Who sets your wage? The role of firms in wage determination"

Speakers: **David Card** (Berkeley University, Nobel Laureat 2021) and **Tomás Rau** (Director Instituto de Economía UC)

Address: PUC, Casa Central UC. Room: Salón de honor Av. Libertador Bernardo O'Higgins 340, Santiago.

18:30

Cocktail

19:00

Bus departs to restaurant

19:15

Dinner

End of Day 1

Day 2: May, 17 – Room AE208

08:00 **Bus departs from Hotel Ibis Manquehue.**

9:00-10:30 **Session 5. Technology**

Worker Welfare in the Gig Economy

Fisher, Jack (Harvard Business School)

Job polarisation and the race between technology and workers' productivity in the UK

Valenzuela, Luis (Universidad San Sebastian)

Electricity and Directed Technological Change: Evidence from U.S. Rural Electrification, 1910-1950

Lafortune, Jeanne (PUC, Chile)

10:30-11:00 **Coffee break**

11:00-12:30 **KEYNOTE David Card (UC Berkeley)**

End of Day 2
