The 2012 PhD Workshop in Economics at the University of Guelph PROGRAM

TUESDAY, AUGUST 28

9.00 - 9.05 Welcome

9.05 – 10.50 Session I (chair: René Kirkegaard)

Joniada Milla (UoG) University Quality and Labour Market Outcomes of

Canadian Youth

Dozie Okoye (UWO) Education Policy and Rate of Return Estimates

Margarita Pivovarova (UoT) Peer effect in the classroom: Evidence from new peers

10.50 - 11.15 Break

11.15 – 12.25 Session II (chair: Stephen Kosempel)

Li Li (UoT) Sovereign Defaults and Interest Rate Spread in the

Presence of Self Control Problem

Michael Batu (UoG) Altruism, Migration Dynamics and Economic Growth

12.30 – 14.00 Lunch (University Centre 441)

14.00 – **15.45** Session III (chair: Fraser Summerfield)

Marcel Oestreich (UoG) Carbon Emissions and Stock Returns: Evidence from

Germany

James Partridge (UWO) The Role of Public Information and Credit Ratings in the

Corporate Bond Market.

Andrew Bird (UoT) The Effects of Taxes on the Market for Corporate Control

15.45 - 16.15 Break

16.15 – 17.25 Session IV (chair: Marcel Oestreich)

Fraser Summerfield (UoG) Temporary Help Agencies and Job Market sorting

Hugh Cassidy (UWO) Occupational Choice, Tasks, and Hierarchical Structure

18.00 Dinner (University Club)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2

9.00 – 10.45 Session V (chair: Jamie Lee)

Andrew Agopsowicz (UWO) Wage dynamics and fertility choices of women over the life

cycle

Diana Alessandrini (UoG) The business cycle human capital accumulation nexus and

its effect on labor supply volatility

Xue Dong (UWO) Understanding Persistence of Increased Employment of

Women beyond Financial Crisis

10.45 - 11.15 Break

11.15 –12.25 Session VI (chair: Diana Alessandrini)

Nick Bedard (UWO) The Strategically Ignorant Principal

Pedro Bento (UoT) Accounting For Taste: Niche Firms, Mass Markets, and

Income Across Countries

12.30 – 13.30 Lunch and farewell (University Centre 441)

All Sessions take place in Rozanski Hall (ROZH), Room 102.

INFORMATION FOR SPEAKERS

Venue:

The workshop venue is Rozanski Hall, Room 102. The hotel is the Best Western (716 Gordon St, Guelph). Breakfast is included. You will receive your hotel confirmation number shortly.

A map containing both venues is here: http://goo.gl/maps/xOQLl Campus maps are here: http://www.uoguelph.ca/campus/map/

Lunches and the dinner take place in the University Centre. The University Club is on the fifth floor.

Presentations:

Each speaker has 35 minutes. This includes time to answer questions from the audience. The "chair" of the session will remind you when you have 10 and 5 minutes left, respectively.

Please bring your presentation on a USB key. Alternatively, you can email it to me (rkirkega@uoguelph.ca) a day ahead of your presentation.

Please consider asking questions as other speakers are presenting their work.