Celebrating James G. MacKinnon Conference Schedule

George Teves Room
The University Club at Queen's
168 Stuart Street Kingston

Thursday September 18, 2025

1:00 Welcome and Register

Opening Remarks @1:10 Steve Lehrer, Queen's University and NBER

1:15 James's Contributions to MA Training

Chair: **Sean Elliott**, University of Toronto

Philippe Goulet Coulombe, UQAM

Opening the Black Box of Local Projections

Adrian Otoiu, Bucharest University of Economic Studies

Occupational change in Canada, a story of upgrading and mid-upgrading

2:15 Break

2:30 James's Contributions to PhD Training

Chair: **Jeff Penney**, University of Alberta

Dakyung Seong, University of Sydney

Instrumental Variable Regression with Varying-intensity Repeated Treatments

Ryan Davies, Babson College

Using matched samples to test for differences in trade execution costs: Revisited

Leo Michelis, Toronto Metropolitan University

Testing for Bubbles in Canada's Regional Housing Markets

Thanasis Stengos, University of Guelph

Frequentist Model Averaging with Nash Bargaining: A Stochastic Dominance Approach

3:55 Break

4:10 James's Contributions to Postdoctoral Training
Chair: **Nikolay Kudrin**, Queen's University and University of Sydney

Antoine Djogbenou, York University Rolling window selection in FAR models with structural instabilities

Nick Brown, Florida State University

Generalized Latent Group Parallel Trends

5:30 Poster and Reception at Delta Kingston 6th Floor

The full list of poster presenters and titles appear on page 4 and 5.

6:45 Banquet Dinner at Delta Kingston 6th Floor Host: **Sumon Majumdar**, Queen's University

Friday September 19, 2025

8:30 Continental Breakfast

9:00 James as a Co-Parent of the CESG Chair: **Charles Beach**, Queen's University

Jean Marie Dufour, McGill University *Adaptive eigenspace regularized rank-robust Wald tests*

Christian Gourieroux, University of Toronto

Affine Feedforward Stochastic (AFS) Neural Network

10:05 John Weatherall Distinguished Presentation Chair: TBA

Hashem Pesaran, University of Cambridge and University of Southern California

Analysis of Multiple Long Run Relations in Panel Data Models with Applications to Financial Ratios

10:45 Break

11:00 James as an Eclectic Inspiration

Chair: Taylor Jaworski, University of Colorado

Douglas Miller, Cornell University

Dyad-robust statistical inference for trade and migration flows

Harry Paarsch, University of Central Florida

Signal Shading to Avoid the Winner's Curse: Bidding for Tree-Planting Contracts in British Columbia

Stephen Snudden, Wilfred Laurier University

Seize the Last Day: Period-End-Point Sampling for Forecasts of Temporally Aggregated Data

12:20-1:50 Lunch at Dunning Hall

2:00 James as Collaborator

Chair: Matt Webb, Carleton University

Morten Nielsen, Aarhus University

Improved Inference for Nonparametric Regression and Regression-Discontinuity Designs

Russell Davidson, McGill University

A Statistical Characterization of Median-Based Inequality Measures

Posters in alphabetical order

Sean Elliott, University of Toronto

Second Demographic Transition: Marriage, Cohabitation, and Fertility

Ulrich Hounyo, University of Albany SUNY

Projection-Based Wild Bootstrap under General Two-way Cluster Dependence with Serial Dependence

Joann Jasiak, York University

Bubble Detection with Application to Green Bubbles: A Noncausal Approach

Maggie Jones, McGill University

Short- and Long-Run Effects of High-Stakes Tests

Jin Young Yoon, Queen's University

Never too busy to help: Experimental evidence on the effect of Employment on Volunteering

Sunny Karim, Carleton University

Good Controls Gone Bad: Difference-in-Differences with Covariates

Nikolay Kuldrin, Queen's University and University of Sydney

Testing for and Evaluating the Extent of Selective Reporting

Aryan Manafi Neyazi, York University

GCov-Based Portmanteau Test

Marcos Lee, Queen's University

Eliciting Subjective Belief Distributions About Returns to Investment in Early Childhood

Quinlan Lee, University of Toronto

Nonlinear Forecast Error Variance Decompositions with Hermite Polynomials

Jiannan Mai, University of Guelph

GMM Estimation and Impulse Response Functions of Spatial Dynamic Panel Simultaneous Equations Models with Two Way Fixed Effects

Alex Maynard, University of Guelph

Order Flow and Cryptocurrency Returns

Gabriel Rodriguez-Rondon, Bank of Canada

Practical estimation of high-dimensional stochastic volatility models with applications to macroeconomic uncertainty in Québec and Canada

Kensuke Sakumoto, University of Wisconsin-Madison Network Robust Inference for Fixed Effect Regressions

Adrian Schroeder, University of Toronto

Dynamic Factor Binary Panels: Identification and Particle Filter Estimation

Elisavet Serenidou, University of Guelph

A framework of spatial models on regression discontinuities design

Pujee Tuvaandorj, York University

A Likelihood Ratio C(α) Test

Zhijie Xiao, Boston College

Identifying Distributional Impacts via Functional Quantile Regression

Yiwen Wang, University of Winnipeg

An Investigation into the Effects of Greenbelt in Canadian Cities