

Graduate Labor Economics

Course Overview and Reading List

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The reading list below is adapted from UC Davis course ECN 250A, which I taught in Winter 2018 and Spring 2019. This is a PhD course on labor economics, with an emphasis on demand-side topics. The lecture materials and readings explore firms' decisions about how many workers to hire and how much to pay them; the rise in wage inequality and the polarization of the occupational structure; the determinants of job search; the costs of job loss and other adverse workplace events; and the evolution of local labor markets.

Along the way, we'll encounter many theoretical and empirical tools that are commonly used in labor research, such as CES production functions, decomposition methods, border designs, the AKM model, event studies, search theory, and hazard models. You'll see identifying variation ranging from policy changes and field experiments to job switchers and Bartik shocks.

For an up-to-date, comprehensive overview of the field, see *Labor Economics* by Cahuc, Carcillo, and Zylberberg (2014). The *Handbook of Labor Economics* is a great place to get comprehensive introductions to more specialized topics. David Autor's lecture notes for his MIT course 14.662 are an invaluable resource for many of the topics we will be covering.

Lastly, any aspiring labor economist should develop a working knowledge of the laws and institutions that govern employment relationships. For US law, I recommend *Understanding Employment Law: Second Edition*, by Hirsch, Secunda, and Bates (2013).

PART I. EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES IN A NEOCLASSICAL WORLD

► LECTURES 1–2: STATIC LABOR DEMAND

OPTIONAL REFERENCES:

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► LECTURE 3: THE COLLEGE WAGE PREMIUM AND THE “CANONICAL MODEL”

REQUIRED READING:

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Acemoglu, D. and Autor, D. (2011). Skills, Tasks and Technologies: Implications for Employment and Earnings. In *Handbook of Labor Economics*, volume 4B, pages 1043–1171.

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Goldin, C. and Katz, L. F. (2010). *The Race Between Education and Technology*. Belknap Press, Cambridge, MA.

Carneiro, P. and Lee, S. (2011). Trends in Quality-Adjusted Skill Premia in the United States, 1960–2000. *American Economic Review*, 101(6):2309–2349.

Bowlus, A., Bozkurt, E., Lochner, L., and Robinson, C. (2017). Wages and Employment: The Canonical Model Revisited. NBER working paper 24069.

► LECTURE 4: SKILL-BIASED TECHNICAL CHANGE

REQUIRED READING:

Berman, E., Bound, J., and Griliches, Z. (1994). Changes in the Demand for Skilled Labor within US Manufacturing: Evidence from the Annual Survey of Manufacturers. *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 109(2):367–397.

Akerman, A., Gaardner, I., and Mogstad, M. (2015). The Skill Complementarity of Broadband Internet. *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 130(4):1781–1824.

ADDITIONAL REFERENCES:

Krueger, A. B. (1993). How Computers Have Changed the Wage Structure: Evidence from Microdata. *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 108(1):33–60.

DiNardo, J. E. and Pischke, J.-S. (1997). The Returns to Computer Use Revisited: Have Pencils Changed the Wage Structure Too? *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 112(1):291–303.

Doms, M., Dunne, T., and Troske, K. R. (1997). Workers, Wages, and Technology. *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 112(1):253–290.

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Acemoglu, D. and Restrepo, P. (2017). Robots and Jobs: Evidence from US Labor Markets. NBER working paper 23285.

► LECTURE 5: TASKS, POLARIZATION, AND THE FUTURE OF WORK

REQUIRED READING:

Autor, D. H., Levy, F., and Murnane, R. J. (2003). The Skill Content of Recent Technological Change: An Empirical Exploration. *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 118(4):1279–1333.

Autor, D. H. (2013). The “Task Approach” to Labor Markets: An Overview. *Journal for Labour Market Research*, 46(3):185–199.

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► LECTURE 6: AMENITIES, SORTING, AND COMPENSATING DIFFERENTIALS

REQUIRED READING:

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Mas, A. and Pallais, A. (2017). Valuing Alternative Work Arrangements. *American Economic Review*, 107(12):3722–3759.

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Brown, C. (1980). Equalizing Differences in the Labor Market. *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 94(1):113–134.

Hamermesh, D. S. (1999). Changing Inequality in Markets for Workplace Amenities. *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 114(4):1085–1123.

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Bloom, N., Liang, J., Roberts, J., and Ying, Z. J. (2015). Does Working from Home Work? Evidence from a Chinese Experiment. *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 130(1):165–218.

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PART II. FRICTIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

► LECTURE 7: MARKET CONCENTRATION AND MONOPSONY POWER

REQUIRED READING:

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Staiger, D., Spetz, J., and Phibbs, C. (2010). Is There Monopsony in the Labor Market? Evidence from a Natural Experiment. *Journal of Labor Economics*, 28(2):211–236.

Manning, A. (2011). Imperfect Competition in the Labor Market. In *Handbook of Labor Economics*, volume 4B, pages 976–1041.

Council of Economic Advisers (2016). Labor Market Monopsony: Trends, Consequences, and Policy Responses. Issue Brief.

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Krueger, A. B. and Posner, E. A. (2018). A Proposal for Protecting Low-Income Workers from Monopsony and Collusion. Hamilton Project.

Jäger, S. and Heining, J. (2019). How Substitutable Are Workers? Evidence from Worker Deaths. Working paper.

► LECTURE 8: UNIONS

REQUIRED READING:

DiNardo, J. and Lee, D. S. (2004). Economic Impacts of New Unionization on Private Sector Employers: 1984-2001. *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 119(4):1383–1441.

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► LECTURES 9 AND 10: THE MINIMUM WAGE

REQUIRED READING:

Dube, A., Lester, T. W., and Reich, M. (2010). Minimum Wage Effects Across State Borders: Estimates Using Contiguous Counties. *Review of Economics and Statistics*, 92(4):945–964.

Neumark, D., Salas, J. I., and Wascher, W. (2014). Revisiting the Minimum Wage-Employment Debate: Throwing Out the Baby with the Bathwater? *Industrial and Labor Relations Review*, 67:608–648.

Jardim, E., Long, M. C., Plotnick, R., van Inwegen, E., Vigdor, J., and Wething, H. (2017). Minimum Wage Increases, Wages, and Low-Wage Employment: Evidence from Seattle. NBER working paper 23532.

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Brown, C. (1988). Minimum Wage Laws: Are They Overrated? *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, 2(3):133–145.

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Dube, A., Lester, T. W., and Reich, M. (2016). Minimum Wage Shocks, Employment Flows, and Labor Market Frictions. *Journal of Labor Economics*, 34(3):663–704.

Allegretto, S., Dube, A., Reich, M., and Zipperer, B. (2017). Credible Research Designs for Minimum Wage Studies. *Industrial & Labor Relations Review*, 70(3):559–592.

Dube, A., Giuliano, L., and Leonard, J. (2019). Fairness and Frictions: The Impact of Unequal Raises on Quit Behavior. *American Economic Review*, 109(2):620–663.

Cengiz, D., Dube, A., Lindner, A., and Zipperer, B. (2019). The Effect of Minimum Wages on Low-Wage Jobs: Evidence from the United States Using a Bunching Estimator. NBER working paper 25434.

► LECTURE 11: INTER-FIRM WAGE DIFFERENTIALS

REQUIRED READING:

Card, D., Heining, J., and Kline, P. (2013). Workplace Heterogeneity and the Rise of West German Wage Inequality. *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 128(3):967–1015.

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PART III. JOB SEARCH, JOB LOSS, AND BAD LUCK

► LECTURE 12: JOBLESSNESS AND JOB SEARCH

REQUIRED READING:

Krueger, A. B. and Mueller, A. (2011). Job Search, Emotional Well-Being, and Job Finding in a Period of Mass Unemployment: Evidence from High-Frequency Longitudinal Data. *Brookings Papers on Economic Activity*, pages 1–81.

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Mortensen, D. T. (1977). Unemployment Insurance and Job Search Decisions. *Industrial and Labor Relations Review*, 30(4):505–517.

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Price, B. (2019). The Duration and Wage Effects of Long-Term Unemployment Benefits: Evidence from Germany’s Hartz IV Reform. Working paper.

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► LECTURE 14: DISPLACED WORKERS

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- Davis, S. J. and von Wachter, T. (2011). Recessions and the Costs of Job Loss. *Brookings Papers on Economic Activity*, pages 1–72.
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- Decker, R., Haltiwanger, J., Jarmin, R. S., and Miranda, J. (2014). The Secular Decline in Business Dynamism in the US. Working paper.
- Gathmann, C., Helm, I., and Schönberg, U. (2019). Spillover Effects of Mass Layoffs. *Journal of the European Economic Association*. Forthcoming.

► LECTURE 15: LABOR MARKET SEASONALITY

REQUIRED READING:

- Geremew, M. and Gourio, F. (2018). Seasonal and Business Cycles of US Employment. *Economic Perspectives*, 3:1–28.
- Coglianesi, J. and Price, B. M. (2019). Income in the Off-Season: Household Adaptation to Yearly Work Interruptions. Working paper.

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► LECTURE 16: UNLUCKY COHORTS

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Oreopoulos, P., von Wachter, T., and Heisz, A. (2012). The Short- and Long-Term Career Effects of Graduating in a Recession. *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, 4(1):1–29.

Morin, L.-P. (2015). Cohort Size and Youth Earnings: Evidence from a Quasi-Experiment. *Labour Economics*, 32:99–111.

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Welch, F. (1979). Effects of Cohort Size on Earnings: The Baby Boom Babies' Financial Bust. *Journal of Political Economy*, 87(5):S65–S97.

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