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Labour Lectures 2009

Every year, LABOUR organizes a set of “LABOUR Lectures”, aimed at graduate students and young researchers. These Lectures are offered by outstanding researchers in the field and are meant to provide a broad overview of lines of research that are important to labor economists. Past LABOUR Lecturers include Joshua Angrist, Richard Blundell, Martin Browning, Zvi Eckstein, Christopher Flinn, Charles Manski, Stephen Pudney, Jean-Marc Robin, and Arthur van Soest. The 2009 LABOUR Lecturers are Joshua Angrist (MIT), David Card (University of California Berkeley), and Costas Meghir (University College London).

Professor Joshua Angrist
(Massachusetts Institute of Technology)

Lectures on:

“Empirical Strategies in Labour Economics”

Monday March 23 and Wednesday March 25 , 9.30-11.00am and 2.00-3.30pm,
Tuesday March 24 and Thursday March 26, 9.30am-1.00pm.

“Sala TL”, groundfloor, Building A_Didattica, Faculty of Economics,
University of Rome “Tor Vergata”, via Columbia 2, Rome

This short course – based on Mostly Harmless Econometrics: An Empiricist’s Companion, by Angrist and Pischke (2008)– covers econometric ideas and empirical modelling strategies that should be especially useful to applied labour researchers. The main theoretical ideas are illustrated with examples. The course consists of 8 lectures (two per day) covering the topics below:

Monday March 23	Agnostic regression and causal regression
Tuesday March 24	Regression vs. matching
Wednesday March 25	Instrumental variables in constant-effects and heterogeneous-effects models
Thursday March 26	Nonstandard standard errors issues