The Economics of Rich and Poor: The Political Economy of Income Redistribution 1994-95

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Fall Semester

Gordon Tullock
University of Arizona
September 14, 1994

Timothy Smeeding
Syracuse University
October 5, 1994

Robert Haveman
University of Wisconsin
November 16, 1994

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John Formby
University of Alabama
January 25, 1995

Rebecca Blank
Northwestern University
February 22, 1995

Jere Behrman
University of Pennsylvania
March 22, 1995

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Levelling the Ground: New Policy for New Poverty

Robert Haveman
John Bascom Professor of Economics and Public Administration
University of Wisconsin

Professor Haveman received his Ph.D. in Economics from Vanderbilt University in 1963. His research has touched on a wide range of topics, including unemployment, cost-benefit analysis, environmental economics, and income transfer programs. Currently, Professor Haveman is John Bascom Professor of Economics and Public Affairs at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, and a Research Associate in the University's Institute for Research on Poverty. He also is on the board of editors of four scholarly journals, and was co-editor from 1985 to 1991 of one of the most widely read and prestigious economics journals, The American Economic Review.

Professor Haveman will also present a seminar at 3:00 p.m.

Regional and Subgroup Differences in Poverty and Inequality

John Formby
James Patrick and Elizabeth Brannan Hayes Professor of Economics
University of Alabama

Professor Formby received his Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Colorado in 1966. He is the James Patrick and Elizabeth Brannan Hayes Professor at the University of Alabama. Professor Formby's voluminous research has explored various questions relating to income distribution and redistribution. But he has also published many articles on such varied topics as regulation, taxation, and imperfect competition. Professor Formby has received a number of awards and research grants. He also served as a Senior Economist for the President's Council on Wage and Price Stability.

Professor Formby will also present a seminar at 3:00 p.m.

The Impact of Economic Growth on Poverty and Inequality

Rebecca Blank
Associate Professor of Economics
Northwestern University

Professor Blank was awarded her Ph.D. in Economics by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1983. She was a Senior Staff Economist on the President's Council of Economic Advisors, and is currently an Associate Professor in the Department of Economics at Northwestern University. Professor Blank was the 1993 recipient of the David Kershaw Prize, awarded biannually by the Association of Public Policy and Management to the scholar under forty whose research has had the most impact on public policy. She has conducted research on a variety of topics relating to the causes of poverty, and is the author of a number of important articles on the relationship between macroeconomic performance and poverty.

Professor Blank will also present a seminar at 3:00 p.m.

From Parent to Child: Intrahousehold Allocations and Intergenerational Relations in the United States

Jere Behrman
W.R. Kenan, Jr. Professor of Economics
University of Pennsylvania

Professor Behrman received his Ph.D. in Economics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1966. He is the W.R. Kenan, Jr. Professor of Economics at the University of Pennsylvania. Professor Behrman is well-known for his research on economic development. He has had a particular interest in the role of human resources in development, and has recently conducted a number of studies on the intergenerational transmission of poverty. Professor Behrman has been a consultant on over thirty World Bank studies and projects. He has also been a consultant on studies and projects by USAID, the National Institute of Health, and many other agencies.

Professor Behrman will also present a seminar at 3:00 p.m.