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SEMINAR UPDATES

- **API 905y/ECON 3116 a/b are cross-listed together here as one course page.**
- **The seminar will return to in-person only for the Fall 2024 semester. It will meet on scheduled Wednesday's in Land Hall, Belfer 400 at the Harvard Kennedy School 4:30 - 5:45.**
- **If you do not have a Harvard ID, and you plan to attend the seminar, please email Meredith Landry so that she can add you to the security list. All Non-Harvard ID holders will need to enter the Kennedy School through the main entrance of the Wexner building and check in at the security desk so please allow extra time for entry.**

NAVIGATING THIS WEBSITE

- **The seminar syllabus and schedule are available for download via the buttons below and the [Files page](#).**
- **Papers will be made available approximately two weeks before each seminar date and will be available for download in the Fall 2024 subfolder of the Files page.**

Fall 2024 - Spring 2025 | W 4:30 - 5:45 pm ET, as scheduled | Land Hall, Belfer 400 at Harvard Kennedy School

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This is a year-long research seminar on topics in environmental and natural resource economics, with particular focus on climate change economics and policy. It meets on Wednesdays from 4:30 to 5:45 pm in Land Hall (Belfer Building, Room 400) of the Harvard Kennedy School at 79 JFK Street, Cambridge. Seminars emphasize theoretical models, quantitative empirical analysis, and public policy applications, featuring presentations by invited speakers. Auditors are welcome. A brief information (shopping) session for students who may wish to enroll will take place remotely on in late August at a time to be announced. The first meeting of seminar will be on Wednesday, September 11th or 18th. The complete fall schedule is available at the Canvas website. Further information is available at the Canvas course website:

<https://canvas.harvard.edu/courses/146384>

Course Requirements:

Registered students must enroll for the full year of the seminar and attend all sessions. They prepare a research paper, which is due at the conclusion of the spring semester, and should be at the level of the seminar, i.e. Ph.D.-level economics. In addition, students prepare brief (two-page) notes about each seminar presentation throughout the year. Required reading consists of papers presented at each session.

Prerequisites:

The course is intended primarily for Ph.D. students in economics, political economy and government,

public policy, health policy, and related fields with interests in applications in the environmental and natural resource area. Prerequisites include Ph.D.-level course work in microeconomic theory, such as Economics 2010A/B, Economics 2020A/B (cross-listed as Kennedy School API-111/112), and API-109i/110i.

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Fall 2024 SCHEDULE

API-905y/Econ 3116

Robert Stavins and James Stock

Fall 2024, Wednesday, 4:30-5:45 pm

Harvard Kennedy School, Land Hall (Belfer Building, Room 400)

September 18 Marguerite Obolensky, Columbia University, Marco Tabellini, and **Charles Taylor**, Harvard University. “Homeward Bound: How Migrants Seek Out Familiar Climates.”

September 25 **Matthew Dodier**, Harvard University. “Smoke Signals: Examining the Impact of Smoke Plumes on Hospital Care Use in Oregon.”

October 9 **Constanza Abuin**, Harvard University. “Global Economic and Climate Impacts of U.S. LNG Exports.”

October 16 Stephen Holland, Andrew Yates, University of North Carolina, Matthew Kotchen, Yale University, and **Erin Mansur**, Dartmouth College. “On the Feasibility, Costs, and Benefits of an Immediate Phasedown of Coal for U.S. Electricity Generation.”

October 23 Hahn, Robert, Oxford University, Nathan Hendren, MIT, Robert Metcalfe, Columbia University, and **Ben Sprung-Keyser**, University of Pennsylvania. “A Welfare Analysis of Policies Impacting Climate Change.”

November 20

Ryan Kellogg, University of Chicago. “The End of Oil.”

December 4

Gordon Hanson, Harvard University, and Jacob Greenspon, Oxford University.
“Energy Access and Regional Specialization: Evidence from World War II Emergency Pipelines.”

December 11

Pari Sastry, Columbia University, Ishita Sen, Harvard University, and Ana-Maria Tenekedjieva, Federal Reserve Board. “When Insurers Exit: Climate Losses, Fragile Insurers, and Mortgage Markets.”

Note: Name of presenter is in **Bold**.

For further information, contact Professor Stavins at the Kennedy School, Professor Stock at the Department of Economics, or the course assistant, Meredith Landry (617-496-8054), or visit the seminar web site.