

# MID-WEST MACROECONOMICS

**MEETING - November 3-5, 2017** 



**Conference Brochure** 

# **The Big Picture: Map of Conference Places**



## **Transportation From/To the Airport**

Pittsburgh's International Airport is located about 20 miles away from the University of Pittsburgh's campus.

A car ride from the airport to the campus area (where the hotels are located) takes about 25 minutes with little traffic and longer at rush hours. A taxi might charge you about \$60 for the ride, while Uber/Lyft might cost you about \$35-\$40.

By far, the cheapest way to get to campus from the airport (and back) is by bus. There is a convenient bus – the 28X – that connects the airport to the university area (Oakland) and back. <u>Click here</u> for the schedule of the 28X. It departs every 30 minutes and takes about 1 hour to reach campus. The ride costs \$2.75 one way and you need to have exact change.

If you are taking the 28X bus from the airport get off at (see page 3 map):

- 1. "Forbes Avenue past Craft Avenue" if you are staying at the Hampton Inn or the Residence Inn (denoted by on the map).
- 2. "Bellefield Avenue and Fifth" if you are staying at the Wyndham Hotel (denoted by on the map).
- 3. "Forbes at Schenley Drive" if you are going directly to the conference at David Lawrence Hall (denoted by on the map).

On the way back from the University of Pittsburgh's campus to the airport there is a bus stop located across from David Lawrence Hall on Fifth Avenue (not Forbes) at "Fifth and Thackeray Avenue" (denoted by  $\bigcirc$  on the map).

#### Conference Hotels and Directions to David Lawrence Hall

<u>Hampton Inn University/Medical Center</u> (3315 Hamlet St, Pittsburgh PA 15213)

To make a reservation at the conference rate <u>click here</u>.

Reaching <u>David Lawrence Hall</u> (3942 Forbes Ave, Pittsburgh PA 15260) takes about 15 minutes <u>walking</u>:

- 1. Head southeast toward Hamlet St.
- 2. Turn left onto Hamlet St.
- 3. Turn left onto Craft St.
- 4. Turn right onto Forbes Ave. Walk on Forbes in direction NE for 0.6 miles and you will find David Lawrence Hall on the right.

Wyndham Pittsburgh University Center (100 Lytton Ave, Pittsburgh PA 15213)

To make a reservation at the conference rate click here.

Reaching <u>David Lawrence Hall</u> takes about 5-10 minutes <u>walking</u>:

- 1. Head SE on Lytton Ave toward Fifth Ave.
- 2. Turn right onto Fifth Avenue.
- 3. Turn left onto Bigelow Boulevard.
- 4. Turn right on Forbes Ave. Walk a block on Forbes till you will find David Lawrence Hall on your left.

Residence Inn Pittsburgh Oakland University Place (3341 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh PA 15213)

To make a reservation at the conference rate <u>click here</u>.

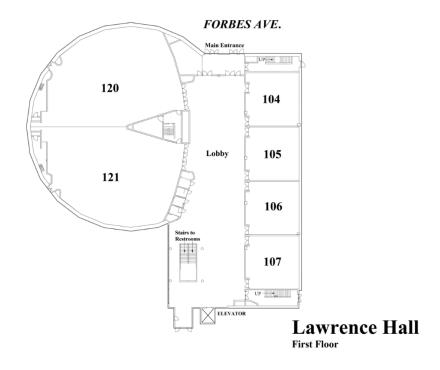
Reaching <u>David Lawrence Hall</u> takes about 10 minutes <u>walking</u>:

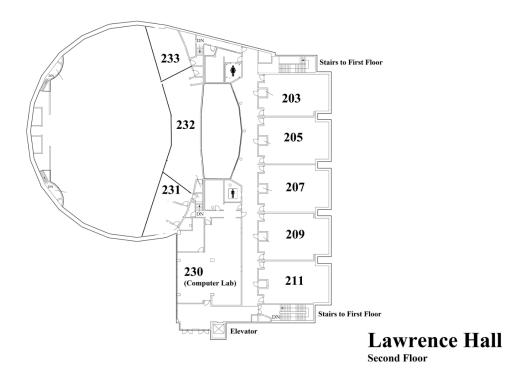
- 1. Head SE toward Forbes Ave.
- 2. Turn left onto Forbes Avenue. Walk 0.5 miles till you will find David Lawrence Hall on your right.

# $Conference\ Agenda\ (\underline{click\ here})$

Friday, November 3 <sup>rd</sup> 2017			
1:00 pm	Registration opens	DLH lobby	
2:15 pm – 3:45 pm	Parallel Sessions	DLH room details here	
3:45 pm – 4:15 pm	Coffee Break	DLH lobby	
4:15 pm – 5:45 pm	Parallel Sessions	DLH room details here	
6:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Plenary Session (Gabaix)	DLH Auditorium 120	
7:15 pm – 9:00 pm	Welcome Dinner	Wyndham Pittsburgh University Center	
Saturday, November 4 <sup>th</sup> 2017			
9:00 am – 10:30 am	Parallel Sessions	DLH room details here	
10:30 am – 11:00 am	Coffee Break	DLH lobby	
11:00 am – 12:30 pm	Parallel Sessions	DLH room details here	
12:30 pm – 2:00 pm	Lunch	William Pitt Union	
2:00 pm – 3:30 pm	Parallel Sessions	DLH room details here	
3:30 pm – 4:00 pm	Coffee Break	DLH lobby	
4:00 pm – 5:30 pm	Parallel Sessions	DLH room details here	
5:45 pm – 6:45 pm	Plenary Session (Krueger)	DLH Auditorium 120	
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Conference Dinner	Wyndham Pittsburgh University Center	
Sunday, November 5 <sup>th</sup> 2017			
9:00 am – 10:30 am	Parallel Sessions	DLH room details here	
10:30 am – 11:00 am	Coffee Break	DLH lobby	
11:00 am – 12:30 pm	Parallel Sessions	DLH room details here	
12:30 pm –1:30 pm	Box lunch	DLH lobby	

# Floor Plan of **David Lawrence Hall**





#### **Useful Information**

**Wifi Access**: if your university if part of **eduroam**, you will be able to log on to the University of Pittsburgh's eduroam network. For those who do not have eduroam access, please contact the conference organizers ahead of time in order to arrange for individual access to the network.

**Parking on campus**: if you are driving to Pittsburgh and staying at a hotel in Oakland you should probably leave your car at the hotel and walk to the University. There are some visitor parking lots on campus, <u>click here</u> for a map, opening hours, and rates. Notice that the O'Hara garage is not open during the week-ends. Also, notice that there is metered street parking in Oakland.

#### **Local Attractions**

The University of Pittsburgh is located in the Oakland neighborhood of the city.

Oakland is home to some of Pittsburgh's most important cultural institutions, such as the <u>Carnegie Museum of Natural History</u>, the <u>Carnegie Museum of Art</u>, and Phipps Botanical Garden.

Oakland is also home of the Cathedral of Learning, the skyscraper in the middle of campus (see brochure front photo), notable for its <u>nationality rooms</u>.

Finally, in Oakland you will find the beautiful <u>Schenley Park</u>, a large city park where you can jog, walk, and bike. Most of these places can be reached by foot in 10-15 minutes from the conference hotels.

Pittsburgh has many other attractions but you will need a car or bus ride to reach them.

Among the most notable are <u>Point State Park</u> (downtown), the original site of the city, where the Monongahela and the Allegheny rivers meet to form the Ohio river.

On the South side of the Monongahela you will find the <u>Duquesne</u> and <u>Monongahela</u> inclines which take you to the top of the southern hills offering spectacular views on downtown and the area.

On the North side of the city you will find the <u>Carnegie Science Center</u>, the <u>National Aviary</u>, and the <u>Children's Museum of Pittsburgh</u>, in addition to the baseball and football stadiums.

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