

**American University**  
**School of Public Affairs**  
**Department of Public Administration and Policy**  
**Fall 2013 Research Seminar Series**

**September 12<sup>th</sup>**

*Does School Capital Spending Close Achievement Gaps? Regression Discontinuity Evidence from Texas*

Kevin Stange, Assistant Professor, Ford School of Public Policy, University of Michigan

**September 26<sup>th</sup>**

*Budgetary Constraints and Employee Turnover: The Case of School District Tax and Expenditure Limitations*

Michael Hayes, Ph. D. Candidate, DPAP

**October 3<sup>rd</sup>**

*Understanding How Parental Participation Influences Student Outcomes in Elementary School*

Andrew Brannegan, Ph.D. Candidate, DPAP

**October 10<sup>th</sup>**

*Job Loss and the Use of Public and Private Social Benefits: Evidence from the SIPP*

Elizabeth Crowe, Ph.D. Candidate, DPAP

**October 17<sup>th</sup>**

*Social Security Disability Insurance Replacement Rates and Beneficiary Work Activity: Estimates from a Regression Kink Design*

Tim Moore, Assistant Professor of Economics, George Washington University

**October 31<sup>st</sup>**

*Understanding Turnover Desire in the US Department of Health and Human Services: Toward an Integrated Theory of Turnover Intent in the Federal Government*

Susannah Ali, Ph. D. Candidate, DPAP

**November 14<sup>th</sup>**

*The New Face of the State: Street-Level Bureaucrats in an Age of Privatization*

Zachary Oberfield, Assistant Professor of Political Science, Haverford College

**December 5<sup>th</sup>**

*What Kind of Teachers Are Schools Looking For? Evidence from a Randomized Field Experiment*

Peter Hinrichs, Assistant Professor of Public Policy, Georgetown University

All seminars convene on Thursdays from noon to 1:00 p.m. in **203 Ward**. Please feel free to bring a bag lunch. Contact Seth Gershenson at [gershens@american.edu](mailto:gershens@american.edu) with any questions.