Labor 3: Human Capital and the Economics of Education-spring 2024

Syllabus for 2024. This course will cover three areas: (i) human capital investments and intergenerational mobility, (ii) educational production, and (ii) markets for education and schooling. In each of these segments, theoretical perspectives and empirical work will be presented.

Examination

This course will be graded as pass or fail. To obtain a passing grade in this course, students must:

- 1. Write three referee reports on an academic paper; one for each part of the course.
- 2. Present one academic paper during class.
- 3. Present a research proposal during a workshop at the end of the course.
- 4. Attend a minimum of 9 lectures.

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Assistant Prof. José Montalban Castilla, SOFI, SU

Prof. Jonas Vlachos, Department of Economics, SU

Lectures

Part 1: Marie-Pascale Grimon (4 classes)

Human capital, non-cognitive skills, and health

The timing of investments

Intergenerational mobility

Part 2: José Montalbán Castilla (4 classes)

Returns to education and field of study

Class size effects

Peer effects in education

Teacher quality and teacher-related policies

Part 3: Jonas Vlachos (4 classes)

School finance and accountability

The market for education

School choice mechanisms

School management and school policies

Reading list

Starred * articles are required reading

Articles with RR can be chosen to write a referee report on.

Articles with SP can be chosen for your student presentation.

Books

Cahuc, Pierre and André Zylberberg (2014), Labor Economics (2nd edition), MIT Press.

(Can be downloaded as an E-book from SU's library)

Neal, Derek (2018), Information, Incentives, and Education Policy, Harvard University Press

Class 1 – Human Capital Introduction

*A. Roy. (1951) "Some Thoughts on the Distribution of Earnings" Oxford Ec Papers, 235-246.

*Andresen, M. E. (2018). "Exploring Marginal Treatment Effects: Flexible Estimation Using Stata." *The Stata Journal*, 18(1), 118-158.

A.M. Spence. (1973) "Job Market Signaling," Quarterly Journal of Economics 87 (Aug), 355-74.

J. Heckman and G. Sedlacek. (1985) "Heterogeneity, Aggregation, and Market Wage Functions: An Empirical Model of Self-selection in the Labor Market," *JPE* 93(6), 1077-1125

F. Cunha and J. Heckman. (2007). "The Technology of Skill Formation," AER 97 (May), 31-47.

Class 2 – Non-cognitive skills and health

*Currie, Janet. "Child health as human capital". *Health Economics*. 2020 Apr;29(4):452-463.

*Alan, Sule, and Ipek Mumcu. (forthcoming) "Nurturing Childhood Curiosity to Enhance Learning: Evidence from a Randomized Pedagogical Intervention", *American Economic Review*.

(SP) Any paper in the *Journal of Human Resources* Special Issue on "Causes and Consequences of Child Mental Health" <u>https://jhr.uwpress.org/page/child-mental-health</u>

(SP) J. Heckman and T. Kautz. (2012) "Hard Evidence on Soft Skills," Labour Economics, 19(4): 451-64.

(RR) Ramin, Izadi and Joonas Tuhkuri. (2023) "Psychological Traits and Adaptation in the Labor Market". <u>Working paper</u>

Edin, Per-Anders, Peter Fredriksson, Martin Nybom, and Björn Öckert. 2022. "The Rising Return to Noncognitive Skill." *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, 14 (2): 78-100.

Grossman, M. (2000). The Human Capital Model. <u>Handbook of Health Economics</u>, 1, 347-408.

Melvin Stephens, Melvin and Desmond Toohey, "The Impact of Health on Labor Market Outcomes: Evidence from a Large-Scale Health Experiment," <u>AEJ Applied</u>, July 2022.

Class 3 – Timing of Investments and the Importance of Early-Life

*Almond, Douglas, and Janet Currie. "Killing Me Softly: The Fetal Origins Hypothesis." <u>The Journal of</u> <u>Economic Perspectives</u> 25, no. 3 (2011): 153-72.

(SP) Raj Chetty, Nathaniel Hendren, The Impacts of Neighborhoods on Intergenerational Mobility I: Childhood Exposure Effects, *The Quarterly Journal of Economics*, Volume 133, Issue 3, August 2018, Pages 1107–1162.

(SP) Chetty, Raj, Nathaniel Hendren, Frina Lin, Jeremy Majerovitz, and Benjamin Scuderi. 2016. "Childhood Environment and Gender Gaps in Adulthood." *American Economic Review*, 106 (5): 282-88.

(RR) Carneiro, Pedro, Kjell Salvanes, Barton Willage and Alexander Willén (2023) "The Timing of Parental Job Displacement, Child Development and Family Adjustment". <u>Working paper</u>.

Hendren, Nathaniel, and Ben Sprung-Keyser. 2020. "A Unified Welfare Analysis of Government Policies." Quarterly Journal of Economics 135 (3): 1209-1318.

List, John A., Ragan Petrie, and Anya Samek. 2023. "How Experiments with Children Inform Economics." *Journal of Economic Literature*, 61 (2): 504-64.

Bharadwaj, Prashant, Katrine Loken, and Christopher Nielson. (2013) "Early Life Health Interventions and Academic Achievement," *American Economic Review*, 103 #5, 1862-1891.

Gertler, P., Heckman, J., Pinto, R., Zanolini, A., Vermeersch, C., Walker, S., ... Grantham-McGregor, S. (2014). "Labor market returns to early childhood stimulation: A 20-year Follow-up to an experimental intervention in Jamaica." *Science*, 344(6187), 998–1001.

Baird, Sarah, Joan Hamory Hicks, Michael Kremer, Edward Miguel, 2016. "Worms at Work: Long-run Impacts of a Child Health Investment," The Quarterly Journal of Economics, vol 131(4), pages 1637-1680.

Akresh, Richard, Sonia Bhalotra, Marinella Leone and Una Osili, "First- and Second-Generation Impacts of the Biafran War", *Journal of Human Resources*, March 2023, 58 (2) 488-531.

Class 4 – Intergenerational mobility

*Nybom, Martin and Jan Stuhler (Forthcoming) "Interpreting Trends in Intergenerational Mobility". Journal of Political Economy

(SP) Collado, M Dolores, Ignacio Ortuño-Ortín, and Jan Stuhler (2023). "Estimating Intergenerational and Assortative Processes in Extended Family Data", *The Review of Economic Studies*, Volume 90, Issue 3, May 2023, Pages 1195–1227

(RR) Jacome, Kuziemko & Naidu (2023) "Mobility for All: Representative Intergenerational Mobility Estimates over the 20th Century", <u>working paper</u>.

(RR) Engzell, Per and Nathan Wilmers (2023) "Firms and the Intergenerational Transmission of Labor Market Advantage" <u>https://osf.io/preprints/socarxiv/mv3e9</u>

Persson, Petra, and Maya Rossin-Slater. 2018. "Family Ruptures, Stress, and the Mental Health of the Next Generation." *American Economic Review*, 108 (4-5): 1214-52.

Adermon, Adrian, Mikael Lindahl, and Mårten Palme. 2021. "Dynastic Human Capital, Inequality, and Intergenerational Mobility." *American Economic Review*, 111 (5): 1523-48.

Abramitzky, Ran, Leah Boustan, Elisa Jacome, and Santiago Perez. 2021. "Intergenerational Mobility of Immigrants in the United States over Two Centuries." American Economic Review, 111 (2): 580-608.

Attanasio, Orazio, Áureo de Paula and Alessandro Toppeta. (2023) "Intergenerational Mobility in Socio-emotional Skills". Working paper.

Lecture 5: Returns to education and to field of study

*Cahuc, Pierre and André Zylberberg (2014) "Education and Human Capital," Chapter 4 in *Labor Economics*, MIT Press. (Can be downloaded as an E-book from SU's library)

*Card, David (1999) "The causal effects of education on earnings," Chapter 30 in Ashenfelter, O. and Card, D. (eds.), *Handbook of Labor Economics* vol. 3A, Amsterdam: Elsevier Science/North-Holland.

*Altonji, J.G., P. Arcidiacono, and A Maurel (2016) "The analysis of field choice in college and graduate school: Determinants and wage effects," in *Handbook of the Economics of Education*, Elsevier, vol. 5, 305-396.

(RR/SP) Meghir, Costas and Mårten Palme (2005) "Educational Reform, Ability and Parental Background," *American Economic Review* 95(1), 414-424.

(**RR/SP**) Kirkeboen, Lars J., Edwin Leuven and Magne Mogstad (2016) "Field of Study, Earnings, and Self-Selection," *The Quarterly Journal of Economics* 131(3), 1057–1111.

(RR/SP) Dahl, Gordon, Dan-Olof Rooth and Anders Stenberg (2020) "Long-Run Returns to Field of Study in Secondary School," *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics* 15(1) 351-382

Lecture 6: Class size effects

* Angrist, J.D. and Lavy, V., 1999. Using Maimonides' rule to estimate the effect of class size on scholastic achievement. *The Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 114(2), pp.533-575.

Hoxby, C. M. (2000). The effects of class size on student achievement: New evidence from population variation. *The Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 115(4), 1239-1285.

Raj Chetty & John N. Friedman & Nathaniel Hilger & Emmanuel Saez & Diane Whitmore Schanzenbach & Danny Yagan, 2011. "How Does Your Kindergarten Classroom Affect Your Earnings? Evidence from Project Star," *The Quarterly Journal of Economics*, Oxford University Press, vol. 126(4), pages 1593-1660

*Fredriksson, P., Öckert, B. and Oosterbeek, H., 2013. Long-term effects of class size. The *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 128(1), pp.249-285.

*Leuven, E., & Løkken, S. A. (2020). Long-Term Impacts of Class Size in Compulsory School. Forthcoming, *Journal of Human Resources* 55 (1). (2020). 309-348.

(RR) Bach, M., & Sievert, S. (2019). Birth Cohort Size Variation and the Estimation of Class Size Effects.

(RR) Bach, M (2019). Strategic Grade Retention

(SP) Peter Fredriksson & Björn Öckert & Hessel Oosterbeek, 2016. "Parental Responses to Public Investments in Children: Evidence from a Maximum Class Size Rule," *Journal of Human Resources*, vol. 51(4), pages 832-868.

Lecture 7: Peer effects in education

*Manski, C. F. (1993). Identification of endogenous social effects: The reflection problem. *The Review of Economic Studies*, 60(3), 531-542.

Carrell, S.E., Fullerton, R.L. and West, J.E., 2009. Does your cohort matter? Measuring peer effects in college achievement. *Journal of Labor Economics*, 27(3), pp.439-464.

*Duflo, E., Dupas, P., & Kremer, M. (2011). Peer effects, teacher incentives, and the impact of tracking: Evidence from a randomized evaluation in Kenya. *American Economic Review*, 101(5), 1739-74.

Carrell, S. E., Sacerdote, B. I., & West, J. E. (2013). From natural variation to optimal policy? The importance of endogenous peer group formation. *Econometrica*, 81(3), 855-882.

*Booij, Adam S. Edwin Leuven, Hessel Oosterbeek; Ability Peer Effects in University: Evidence from a Randomized Experiment, *The Review of Economic Studies*, Volume 84, Issue 2, 1 April 2017, Pages 547–578

(**RR**) Denning, J. T., Murphy, R., & Weinhardt, F. (2020). Class rank and long-run outcomes. *National Bureau of Economic Research* (No. w27468).

(RR) De Gendre, A., & Salamanca, N. (2020). On the Mechanisms of Ability Peer Effects.

(RR) Isphording I., & Zölitz, U. (2019). The value of a peer.

(SP) Carrell, S.E., and M.L. Hoekstra. 2010. "Externalities in the Classroom: How Children Exposed to Domestic Violence Affect Everyone's Kids." *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics* 2:211–228.

(SP) Murphy, R., & Weinhardt, F. (2018). Top of the class: The importance of ordinal rank. *The Review of Economic Studies* (accepted)

Lecture 8: Teacher quality and teacher-related policies

Hanushek, E. A., & Rivkin, S. G. (2006). Teacher quality. *Handbook of the Economics of Education*, 2, 1051-1078.

*Jackson, C. K., Rockoff, J. E., & Staiger, D. O. (2014). Teacher effects and teacher-related policies. *Annual Review of Economics.*, 6(1), 801-825.

Kane, T. and D. Staiger (2008), Estimating Teacher Impacts on Student Achievement: An Experimental Evaluation, *NBER Working Paper* 14607.

*Rothstein, J. (2010). Teacher quality in educational production: Tracking, decay, and student achievement. *The Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 125(1), 175-214.

* Chetty, R., Friedman, J.N. and Rockoff, J.E., 2014. Measuring the impacts of teachers II: Teacher value-added and student outcomes in adulthood. *The American Economic Review*, 104(9), pp.2633-2679.

Joshua D. Angrist, Peter D. Hull, Parag A. Pathak, Christopher R. Walters; Leveraging Lotteries for School Value-Added: Testing and Estimation, *The Quarterly Journal of Economics*, Volume 132, Issue 2, 1 May 2017, Pages 871–919

C. Kirabo Jackson (2018) What Do Test Scores Miss? The Importance of Teacher Effects on Non–Test Score Outcomes, *Journal of Political Economy* 126:5, 2072-2107

Ost, B. (2014). How do teachers improve? The relative importance of specific and general human capital. *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, 6(2), 127-51.

Angrist, J. D., & Lavy, V. (2001). Does teacher training affect pupil learning? Evidence from matched comparisons in Jerusalem public schools. *Journal of Labor Economics*, 19(2), 343-369.

Lavy, V. (2009). Performance pay and teachers' effort, productivity, and grading ethics. *American Economic Review*, 99(5), 1979-2011.

(RR) Bitler, M. P., Corcoran, S. P., Domina, T., & Penner, E. K. (2019). Teacher Effects on Student Achievement and Height: A Cautionary Tale. *NBER Working Paper* No. 26480

(RR) Barrios Fernández, A., & Riudavets, M. (2021). Teacher Value-Added and Gender Gaps in Educational Outcomes. *Available at SSRN 3856935*

(SP) Goodman, S. F., & Turner, L. J. (2013). The design of teacher incentive pay and educational outcomes: Evidence from the New York City bonus program. *Journal of Labor Economics*, 31(2), 409-420.

Lecture 9: Finance and accountability (from 2023 to be updated)

* Neal (2018), Chapters 1.1-1.4, 1.9, Chapter 2 (not 2.12 but do read 2.13).

* Jackson, K., R. Johnson, and C. Persico (2016). The effects of school spending on educational and economic outcomes: Evidence from school finance reforms. Quarterly Journal of Economics, 157-218. doi:10.1093/qje/qjv036.

* Johnson, R.C. and K. Jackson (2017), "Reducing inequality through dynamic complementarity: Evidence from Head Start and public school spending", NBER WP 23489. Updated version: https://works.bepress.com/c_kirabo_jackson/32/.

* Deming, D., S. Cohodes, J. Jennings, and C. Jencks (2016). School accountability, postsecondary attainment, and earnings. Review of Economics and Statistics, 98:5, 848-862.

(SP) Andrabi, T., J. Das and I. Khwaja (2017). Report cards: The impact of providing school and child test scores on educational markets. American Economic Review, 107:6, 1535-1563.

(RR) Dizon-Ross (2018), "How Does School Accountability Affect Teachers? Evidence from New York City", NBER WP 24658. https://www.nber.org/papers/w24658.

Gibbons, S., S. McNally, and M. Viarengo (2017). Does additional spending help urban schools? An evaluation using boundrary discontinuities. Journal of the European Economic Association (forthcoming), DOI: 10.1093/jeea/jvx038

(SP) Gilrane, M., H. Macartney, and R. McMillan (2018). Education reform in general equilibrium. NBER WP 24191.

Heissel et al (2018), "Testing, Stress, and Performance: How Students Respond Physiologically to High-Stakes Testing", NBER WP 25305. https://www.nber.org/papers/w25305.

Heissel, J. and H. Ladd (2017). School turnaround in North Carolina: A regression discontinuity approach. Economics of Education Review (forthcoming): https://doi.org/10.1016/j.econedurev.2017.08.001

Jackson, K (2018), "What do test scores miss? The importance of teacher effects on non-test score outcomes", Journal of Political Economy, 126:5, 2072-2107.

Lafortune, J., J. Rothstein, and D. Whitmore Schanzenbach (2016). School finance reform and the distribution of student achievement. American Economic Journal: Applied Economics (forthcoming). Latest version: https://eml.berkeley.edu/~jrothst/publications/LRS_20170213-complete.pdf.

Macartney, H. (2016), "The dynamic effects of educational accountability", Journal of Labor Economics, 34(1): 1-28.

(RR) Macartney et al (2018), "Teacher Performance and Accountability Incentives" NBER WP 24747, https://www.nber.org/papers/w24747

Reback, R., J. Rockoff and H. Schwartz (2014). Under Pressure: Job Security, Resource Allocation, and Productivity in Schools under No Child Left Behind. American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, 6:3, 207-241

(SP) Rothstein, J. (2015). Teacher quality when teacher supply matters. American Economic Review, 105:1, 100-130.

SURVEY: Figlio, D. and S Loeb (2011). School accountability. Chapter 8 in Handbook of the Economics of Education, volume 3.

SURVEY: Deming, D. and Figlio, D (2016). Accountability in US Education. Journal of Economic Perspectives, 30:6, 33-56.

SURVEY: Jackson, K. (2018). Does school spending matter? The new literature on and old question. Working paper: https://works.bepress.com/c_kirabo_jackson/38/.

CLASSIC: Jacob, B. and S. Levitt (2003). Rotten Apples: An Investigation of the Prevalence and Predictors of Teacher Cheating. Quarterly Journal of Economics, 118(3): 843-877.

Lecture 10: The market for education (from 2023 to be updated)

* Hoxby, C. (2003), "School Choice and School Productivity. Could School Choice Be a Tide that Lifts All Boats?" in The Economics of School Choice NBER. http://www.nber.org/chapters/c10091.

* MacLeod, W.B. och M. Urquiola (2015). Reputation and School Competition, American Economic Review, 105(11), 3471-3488.

* Neal chapter 5 (Chapter 4 on charter schools can be read but with less intensity. Chapter 4.5 is useful to understand lottery approaches).

* Rothstein, Jesse (2006). Principals or Good Peers? Parental Valuation of School Characteristics, Tiebout Equilibrium, and the Incentive Effects of Competition among Jurisdictions, American Economic Review, 96:4, 1333-1350.

* Corcoran et al (2018), "Leveling the Playing Field for High School Choice: Results from a Field Experiment of Informational Interventions", NBER WP 24471.

Abdulkadiroglu, A., J. Angrist, and P. Pathak (2014), "The Elite Illusion", Econometrica, 82(1), 137-196.

Abdulkadiroglu A, Pathak P.A., Walters C (2018). Free to Choose: Can School Choice Reduce Student Achievement? American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, 10:1, 175-206.

(RR) Abdulkadiroglu A, Pathak P.A., J. Schellenberg, C. Walters (2017). "Do parents value school effectiveness?" NBER WP 23192.

Abdulkadiroglu, A., J. Angrist, and P. Pathak (2014). The Elite Illusion. Econometrica, 82(1), 137-196.

(SP) Barseghyan, L., D. Clark, and S. Coate (2017). "Public School Choice: An Economic Analysis", Revised version of NBER WP 20701. Find it here: https://barseghyan.economics.cornell.edu/docs/BCC_2017.pdf

(RR) Nathalie Bau (2017). School competition and Product Differentiation". WP University of Toronto. Find it here: https://sites.google.com/site/nataliebau/.

(RR) Bergman et al (2018), "Education for All? A Nationwide Audit Study of Schools of Choice", NBER WP 25396, https://www.nber.org/papers/w25396.

Beuermann, Diether et al (2018), "What is a good school, and can parents tell? Evidence on the multidimensionality of school output", NBER Working paper 25342. https://www.nber.org/papers/w25342.

Billings, S., D. Deming, and J. Rockoff (2014). School Segregation, Educational Attainment, and Crime. Evidence from the End of Busing in Charlotte-Mecklenburg. Quarterly Journal of Economics, 435-476.

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Böhlmark, A., M. Lindahl, and H. Holmlund (2016). School Choice and Segregation, Journal of Population Economics, 29, 1155-1190.

Burgess, S., E. Greaves, A. Vignoles, and D. Wilson (2015), What Parents Want. School Preferences and School Choice. Economic Journal, 125, 1262-1289.

Deming, D., J. Hastings, T. Kane, and D. Staiger (2014), "School Choice, School Quality, and Postsecondary Attainment", American Economic Review, 104:3, 991-1013.

Eyles, A., S. Machin, and S. McNally (2017). Unexpected school reform: Academisation of primary schools in England. Journal of Public Economics, 155, 108-121.

Figlio, David N. and Maurice E. Lucas (2004). What's in a Grade? School Report Cards and the Housing Market. The American Economic Review, 94(3), 591–604.

Jacob, B., B. McCall, and K. Strange (2018), "College as a country club: Do colleges cater to student's preferences for consumption?", Journal of Labor Economics, 36:2, 309-348.

Kerr, S., T. Pekkarinen, M. Sarvimäki and R. Uusitalo (2015), "Post-Secondary Education and Information on Labor Market Prospects: A Randomized Field Experiment", IZA DP 9372.

Lavy, V. (2010), "Effects of Free Choice Among Public Schools", Review of Economic Studies, 77, 1164-1191.

Mizala, A. and M. Urquiola (2013). School markets: The impact of information approximating schools' effectiveness. Journal of Development Economics, 103, 313-335.

McMillan, R. (2005), "Competition, Incentives, and Public School Productivity", Journal of Public Economics, 89, 1133-1154.

Ruijs and Oosterbeek (2019), "School Choice in Amsterdam: Which Schools are Chosen When School Choice is Free?", Education Finance and Policy, 14:1, 1-30.

Vlachos, J. and B. Tyrefors-Hinnerich (2017), "The Impact of Voucher Schools on Upper-Secondary Student Achievement. Swedish Evidence using External and Internal Test Evaluations", Labour Economics, 47, 1-14.

Söderström, M. and R. Uusitalo (2010), "School Choice and Segregation. Evidence from an Admissions Reform", Scandinavian Journal of Economics, 112(1), 55-76.

Wondrakschek, V, K. Edmark, K., and M. Frölich (2013). The Short and Long Term Effects of School Choice on Student Outcomes: Evidence from a School Choice Reform in Sweden. Annals of Economics and Statistics, 111–112, 71–102, 2013.

SURVEY: Black, S. and S. Machin (2011). Housing Valuations of School Performance. Chapter 10 in Handbook of the Economics of Education, vol 3.

SURVEY: Charbier, J., S. Cohodes, and P. Oreopoulos (2016). What can we learn from charter school lotteries? Journal of Economic Perspectives, 30:3, 57-84.

SURVEY: Epple, D., R. Romano, and R. Zimmer (2016). Charter schools: A survey of research on their characteristics and effectiveness. Chapter 3 in Handbook of the Economics of Education, volume 5.

SURVEY: Epple, D., R. Romano, and M. Urquiola (2017). School vouchers: A survey of the economics literature. Journal of Economic Literature, 55:2, 441-492.

SURVEY: Jacob, B. and J. Rothstein (2016). The measurement student ability in modern assessment systems. Journal of Economic Perspectives, 30:3, 85-108.

SURVEY: Urquiola, M. (2016). Competition among schools: Traditional public and private schools. Chapter 4 in Handbook of the Economics of Education, volume 5.

SURVEY: Handbook of Research on School Choice (2019), Edited by Mark Berends, Ann Primus, Matthew G. Springer. Routledge. https://www.taylorfrancis.com/books/9781351210447

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Lecture 11: School choice mechanisms (from 2023 to be updated)

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* Abdulkadiroglu A, Sönmez T (2003). School Choice: A Mechanism Design Approach. American Economic Review 93, No. 3, pp. 729-747.

* Hafalir I.E., Yenmez M.B., Yildirim M.A. (2013). Effective affirmative action in school choice. Theoretical Economics 8, Issue 2, pp. 325–363.

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* Neal, chapter 3.

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(SP) Avery, C. and P. Pathak (2017). The distributional consequences of public school choice. NBER WP 21525, latest version here: https://economics.mit.edu/files/14472

(SP) Calsamiglia, C., C. Fu, and M. Guell (2018). Structural Estimation of a Model of School Choices: the Boston Mechanism vs. Its Alternatives. NBER WP 24588. https://www.nber.org/papers/w24588.

Dur U, Kominers S.D., Pathak P, Sönmez T (2016). Reserve Design: Unintended Consequences and The Demise of Walk Zones in Boston. Working paper, MIT. https://economics.mit.edu/files/12443.

(SP) Fack, G., J. Grenet, and Y. He (2015?), "Beyond Truth-Telling: Preference Estimation with Centralized School Choice and College Admissions", forthcoming American Economic Review.

(RR) Kapor et al (2018), "Heterogeneous Beliefs and School Choice Mechanisms", NBER WP 25096. https://www.nber.org/papers/w25096.

(RR) Kessel, D. and E. Olme (2018). School Choice, Admission Rules and Segregation in Primary Schools. https://sites.google.com/view/elisabetolme/research?authuser=0

Luflade, M. (2017), "The value of information in centralized school choice systems", mimeo.

SURVEY: Pathak, P. A. (2011). The mechanism design approach to student assignment. Annual Review of Economics, 3(1):513–536.

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Lecture 12: School management and specific interventions (from 2023 to be updated)

* Bloom, N., R. Lemos, R. Sadun, J. Van Reenen (2015). Does Management Matter in Schools? Economic Journal, 125, 647-674.

* Fryer, R (2017). The Pupil Factory: Specialization and the production of human capital in Schools. American Economic Review (forthcoming). Available here:

https://scholar.harvard.edu/fryer/publications/%E2%80%98pupil%E2%80%99-factory-specialization-and-production-human-capital-schools

* Fryer, R. (2017). Management and Student Achievement: Evidence from a Randomized Field Experiment. Available here: https://scholar.harvard.edu/fryer/publications/management-and-student-achievement-evidence-randomized-field-experiment

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Besley, T. and M. Ghatak (2005), "Competition and incentives with motivated agents", American Economic Review, 95:3, 616-636.

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Borcan, O., M. Lindahl, and A. Mitrut (2017). Fighting Corruption in Education: What Works and Who Benefits?" American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, 9(1): 180-209.

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