

**CLEF Conference**  
University of Calgary, Banff  
**Thursday, May 30, 2019**

**8:30 am**      **Registration**

**8:45 am**      **Welcome (Ana Ferrer)**

**9:00 – 10:00**      **Session 1. Labour Markets and Policy**  
**Chair: Ana Ferrer**

Thomas McManus (Blueprint-ADE) “Using geospatial labour market data to improve access to employment services in Manitoba” (with M. Palamar and M. McKerrow)

Dionne Pohler (U of T) “The Effect of the Working Income Tax Benefit on Labour Supply” (with K. Koebel)

**10:00 – 10:30**      **Break**

**10:30 – 11:30**      **Session 2. Academic Achievement**  
**Chair: Miana Plesca**

Mikal Skuterud (U Waterloo) “The Relative Academic Achievement of International Students: Evidence from an Ontario University” (with J. Chen)

Kelly Foley (U Saskatchewan) “High School Math and Post-Secondary Schooling in Canada: What can we learn from interprovincial comparisons?”

**Lunch Break 11:30 to 1:30**

**1:30 – 2:30**      **Session 3. Human capital**  
**Chair: Mikal Skuterud**

Gabriella Galassi (Bank of Canada) “The intergenerational correlation of employment: Is there a role for work culture?” (with D. Koll, and L. Mayr)

Ricardo M. Cohn (SFU) “Peer Sorting, peer effects and school effectiveness in private and public schools” (with J. Friesen and S. Woodcock)

**2:30-3:00**      **Break**

**3:00-4:00**

**Session 4. Methodology**  
**Chair: Kelly Foley**

Steven Lehrer (Queens/Shanghai U) "An Initial Assessment of the Hype for Machine Learning Strategies for Causal Effects" (with W. Ding and T. Xie)

Jeffrey Smith (U Wisconsin) "Simple Tests for Selection: Learning More from Instrumental Variables" (with D. Black, J. Joo, R. Lalonde, E. Taylor)

**4:00-4:15**

**Break**

**Introduction: Elizabeth Dhuey**

**Keynote Lecture: Kelly Bedard (UC-Santa Barbara)**

**4:15-5:45**

**"Unequal Use of Social Insurance Benefits: The Role of Employers."**

**Concluding remarks**