Microeconomics – Paper list
Preliminary, to be updated.
Fall 2026

Paper presentation bibliography

Public procurement and government

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Health, labor and education

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[5] Boone J., Salm M., & Santín, S. (2026) Who benefits from market concentration? The effects of hospital mergers on physician income. *Mimeo*.

[6] Einav, L., & Finkelstein, A. (2011). Selection in insurance markets: Theory and empirics in pictures. *Journal of Economic perspectives*, *25*(1), 115-138.

[7] Della Vigna, S., & Malmendier, U. (2006). Paying not to go to the gym. *American Economic Review*, *96*(3), 694-719.

[8] Arni, P., Dragone, D., Goette, L., & Ziebarth, N. R. (2021). Biased health perceptions and risky health behaviors—theory and evidence. *Journal of Health Economics*, *76*, 102425.

Energy and Environment

[9] Reguant, M., & Wagner, M. (2026). Smart Power Limits: Designing Shortage Mechanisms for Extreme Events. *Journal of Public Economics*, Vol. 262.

Firms

[10] De Loecker, J., Eeckhout, J., & Unger, G. (2020). The rise of market power and the macroeconomic implications. *The Quarterly journal of economics*, *135*(2), 561-644.

The list will be updated by the end of October, when groups will be formed and assigned to a paper. Additionally, students are allowed to suggest a paper they would like to present. The suggested paper should present a theoretical model or a theoretical framework and test the model predictions in an empirical setting. The paper will be subject to the final approval of the instructor.

Additional reference useful for paper presentations:

Angrist and Pischke "Mostly Harmless Econometrics".