

**Graduate Student Boot Camp on Behavioral Public Economics:  
Call for Applications**

August 21-23, 2025, Stanford University

We are pleased to announce the third biennial Graduate Student Boot Camp on Behavioral Public Economics, to be hosted at Stanford University on August 21-23, 2025. This workshop is designed to help graduate students in economics become experts on cutting-edge research and techniques at the intersection of Behavioral and Public Economics, as well as their connections to related fields such as Health, Labor, Household Finance, Development, and Energy Economics. Two recent surveys, [one from 2015](#) and [another from 2018](#), provide overviews of this field.

The workshop will be organized by [Doug Bernheim](#) of Stanford University, [Ben Lockwood](#) of the University of Pennsylvania Wharton School, and [Dmitry Taubinsky](#) of the University of California – Berkeley, and it has received generous support from the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation and the Pension Research Council. The program will include lectures by the organizers as well as guest lectures by [Matt Gentzkow](#), [Botond Koszegi](#), [Olivia Mitchell](#), and [Matt Notowidigdo](#) and a keynote by [Dave Guarino](#). It will include opportunities for networking and meeting with other students and faculty. Twenty-five students will be invited to participate. The Boot Camp will cover travel and lodging expenses, subject to Stanford University's reimbursement guidelines, as well as all meals during the workshop.

This year's program will be similar to the [program from 2023](#). The participants in the previous two workshops were very enthusiastic about the experience.

Prospective applicants should assemble the following materials in a single PDF file:

- A cover letter, limited to two pages, that includes an explanation of why you are interested in behavioral public economics and a description of at least one research project that you are thinking about or working on.
- A current CV.
- A complete graduate school transcript.

Please [upload](#) these materials, along with complete contact information, the name of the applicant's current PhD program and year in that program, and the names and email addresses of two faculty members who could provide recommendations on behalf of the applicant, by 11:59 pm (Eastern Time) on **Thursday, May 15, 2025**. Applications

submitted after the deadline will not be considered. Applications from students who are members of groups that have historically been under-represented in the economics profession are welcome. Applications will be evaluated by the organizers, and acceptance decisions will be announced in June.

Please direct questions about workshop content to one of the three organizers, and questions about logistics and the application process to Michael Partridge ([mpart@wharton.upenn.edu](mailto:mpart@wharton.upenn.edu)).