You are invited to attend our upcoming seminar:

“Regression Discontinuity Design: Econometric Issues”
presented by Brian McCall

and

“Investigating the Effects of the Gates Millennium Scholars and Washington State Achievers Programs”
presented by Steve DesJardins

Friday, Nov. 20, 2009
11:00am - 12:00pm

Brian McCall, econometrician from the University of Michigan, will discuss the regression discontinuity (RD) design as a quasi-experimental evaluation approach that has been used widely to evaluate social programs. Dr. McCall’s presentation will address some of the more recent econometric developments in the RD literature with a particular focus on non-parametric estimation methods and bandwidth selection issues.
(This presentation will be of particular interest to economists and economics graduate students.)

12:00 - 1:00pm

Steve DesJardins will present the results from using the RD design to evaluate two educational programs, the Gates Millennium Scholars program and the Washington State Achievers program. These programs focus on improving college and workplace readiness for outstanding minority students with significant financial need.
(This presentation will be of interest to both practitioners and academics interested in college preparation and readiness.)

You're welcome to attend one or both presentations.

Green Hall, Room 3.606 ★ The University of Texas at Dallas

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Pizza, cookies and beverages provided.
Questions? Contact Kristin Klopfenstein - k.klopfenstein@utdallas.edu or 972.883.2379