

# 2023

Commencement

**DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS**

**SATURDAY, MAY 6, 2023**

**9 A.M. GREGORY GYMNASIUM**



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## KEYNOTE SPEAKER

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Traci Lovitt is a proud graduate of the University of Texas Department of Economics ('91) and is the leader of Jones Day's nationally recognized Issues & Appeals Practice. She regularly serves as lead counsel for Supreme Court and appellate matters, heads trial level motions practice and strategy, and advises clients on litigation-risk management. She represents clients such as IBM, Chevron, and Wells Fargo. By appointment of Chief Justice Roberts, Traci served two terms on the Advisory Committee on Evidence Rules, which advises the Supreme Court on possible amendments to the Federal Rules of Evidence. She formerly served in the Office of the Solicitor General, U.S. Department of Justice, and as a law clerk to Justice Sandra Day O'Connor.

Recognized as a BTI Client Service All-Star, Traci is accomplished in analyzing, briefing, and arguing complex legal questions and has argued before the United States Supreme Court, as well

as numerous federal appellate and state courts. She is currently leading the motions team in lawsuits filed by institutional investors relating to residential mortgage-backed securities trusts. She heads the motions and appellate team in state and federal actions involving paraquat. In addition, Traci counsels clients to reduce litigation risk or prepare offensive and defensive strategies in advance of litigation.

Traci serves on the Duke Law School Board of Visitors and on the Advisory Board of the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum.

### **PROFESSIONAL MARSHALS**

Eugenio Miravete | *Professor*  
Haiqing Xu | *Associate Professor*

### **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Thomas Wiseman | *Department Chair, Professor*

### **KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

Traci Lovitt  
UT Economics, 1991  
Practice Leader, Issues & Appeals at Jones Day

### **PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES TO DOCTORAL CANDIDATES**

Presented by Oli Colbion | *Graduate Studies Committee Chair, Professor*

Sadhika Bagga	Ignacio Nunez
Roberto Gillmore	Qingsong Pan
David Jang	Abolfazl Rezghi
Bokyoung Kim	Mauricio Stern
Lauri Kytömaa	Justus Timmers
Changseok Ma	Dongchen Zhao
Frederico Godinho	

## PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES TO MASTER'S CANDIDATES

Presented by Natassa Zervou |

*MA Academic Placement Director, Assistant Professor of Instruction*

Rishab Agarwal	Yuxin Feng	Joseph Monahan
Byungkab Ahn	Jack Freeman	Daniel Mooney
Abdulrahman Alanazi	Yiji Gao	Alexander Mykietyn
Ahmed Almezail	Jayne Gerring	Tyler Nicholson
Mohammed Alqahtani	Jorge A. Gutierrez Ortega	Kenneth Noddings
Woong An	Takehiro Hashimoto	Brendan Ok
Victor Besse	Jack Hill	Liming Pang
Abdullah Binsrhan	Christopher Hyland	Kijeong Park
Rellly Blakeslee	Ke Jin	Manuel Fernando Perez
Jirapat Boodsakorn	Kiyee Jin	Sean Pierce
Brian Brungarwdt	Shreya Kamble	Patrick Poleshuk
Saager Buch	Min Jin Kang	Christina Ridlen
Shivani Challa	Tun Shuo Lee	Anvit Sachdev
Shreekara Chandrashekara Shastry	Wenhan Li	Seungwoon Shin
Arindam Chatterjee	Shankai Liao	Chen Tang
Jiyou Chen	Pin-Yun Lin	Karlo Vlahek
Jyun-Yu Cheng	Chen-Yen Liu	Ching Tzu Wang
Xuezhou Chong	Austin Longoria	Yiwen Wang
Jonathan Jack Cunningham	Pranjal Maheshka	Cameron Wheatley
Jordan Despain	Rohan Mantri	Xiaohan Wu
Danil Deych	Afif Mazhar	Yu Xia
Rajsitee Dhavale	Sonali Mishra	Youngseok Yim
Rashad Dixon	Hayato Miyazaki	Yangxi Yu
Adrian Duran		Haokun Zhang

## RECOGNITION OF ECONOMICS HONORS PROGRAM CANDIDATES

Nat Fernellus                      Caroline Paulson  
Diego Morales-Burnett      Daniela Serrano  
Grace Ozor

## PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES TO BACHELOR CANDIDATES

Presented by Daniel Slesnick | *Director of Undergraduate Studies, Professor &*

*Gerald Oettinger | Associate Professor*

## CLOSING REMARKS RECESSIONAL

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### RECEPTION

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## ECONOMICS COMMENCEMENT RECEPTION

Saturday, May 6, 2023 at 11 a.m.  
Bernard & Rapoport Audre (BRB) Lawn

You are cordially invited to attend the reception following the ceremony.  
The reception will take place outside of BRB.

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## UNIVERSITY-WIDE TICKET DETAILS

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#### MASTERS



#### DOCTORAL



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