

FALL 2025 GSIE WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

September 15 “Money Talks: Using Cash and Bitcoin to Unpack The Politics of Financial Disintermediation” Ghita Chraibi *University of Virginia*

September 22 “World Wide Webs: How Migrant Networks and Porous Bureaucracies Forged the Knowledge Economy in the Global South” Jerik Cruz *Massachusetts Institute of Technology* *Moderator:* Yujin Zhang

September 29 “The Digital Reconstruction of the U.S. Financial Hegemony: Challenge and Governance of Non-Sovereign Digital Assets” Richard Yifan Zhou *Queen Mary University of London* *Moderator:* Greg Brownstein, George Washington University

October 13 “The Role of Supply Chains in the Politics of Liberalization” Zagreb Mukerjee *Yale University* *Moderator:* Richard Yifan Zhou, Queen Mary University of London

October 20 “Deindustrialization, Decarbonization and Climate Investment: A Green Bullet for a Rusty Belt?” Ryan Pike *Yale University* *Moderator:* Ezio Jiaqi Wang

October 27 “Elite Political Settlements and Energy Transition in Nigeria” Fikayo Akeredolu *Oxford University* *Moderator:* Jerik Cruz

November 3 “Explaining The Racial Heterogeneity of Economic Shocks in the U.S.: A Theory of Racialized Labor Markets” Ezio Jiaqi Wang *The University of North Carolina* *Moderator:* Zagreb Mukerjee

November 10 “Who Contests? How Outside Options Shape Contestation in Global Financial Governance” Greg Brownstein *George Washington University* *Moderator:* Natalie Playford

November 17 “International Competition and Technological Preferences: Evidence from the United States and China” Yujin Zhang & Ziwen (Gary) Zu *Columbia University & UCSD* *Moderator:* Ghita Chraibi

November 24 “Extreme Weather Events, Economic Inequality, and Electoral Behaviour: Shifts in Political Allegiance in Costa Rica (2002–2022)” Alvaro ZUNIGA-CORDERO *University of Namur & World Inequality Lab (PSE)* *Moderator:* Enrico Cavallotti

December 1 “Talking about democracy without naming it: The case of the WTO” Noah Wheatley *World Trade Institute, University of Bern* *Moderator:* Fikayo Akeredolu

December 8 “Clause and Effect: Mapping Gender-Clause Enforcement in Multilateral Development Bank Loans (2000 - 2025)” Natalie Playford *University of Toronto*