

**Ph.D. Course**  
**The microeconomics of Banking (15 hours)**

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**All lectures will be online**

The objective of the course is to teach how to model the several aspects of banking within the theory of financial intermediation.

- ◊ Monday 21 June, 14:30-17:30 – Streaming
- ◊ Tuesday 22 June, 14:30-17:30 – Streaming
- ◊ Thursday 24 June, 10:00-13:00 - Streaming
- ◊ Tuesday 29 June, 14:30-17:30 – Streaming
- ◊ Wednesday 30 June, 10:00-13:00 - Streaming

The slides will be available in GDrive.

**1. The role of financial intermediaries**

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(\*) Holmstrom B. and J. Tirole, 1997. Financial Intermediation, Loanable Funds, and the Real Sector, *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 112: 663-691.

Diamond D., 1984. Financial Intermediation and Delegated Monitoring, *Review of Economic Studies*, 51: 393-414.

Gorton G., and A. Winton, 2004. Financial Intermediation, Chap.8 in G.Constantinides, M.Harris and R. Stultz (eds), *Handbook of the Economics of Finance*, Vol 1A.

**2. Bank fragility**

(\*) Allen F. and D. Gale, 2000. Financial Contagion, *Journal of Political Economy*, 108: 1-34.

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Allen F., A. Babus and E.Carletti, 2012. Financial Connections and Systemic Risk, *Journal of Financial Economics*, 104 (3): 519-534.

Chari V.V. and R. Jagannathan, 1988. Banking Panics, Information and Rational Expectations Equilibrium, *Journal of Finance*, 43: 749-763.

Goldstein I. and A. Pauzner, 2005. Demand-Deposit Contracts and the Probability of Bank Runs, *Journal of Finance*, 60: 1293-1327.

**3. Banking regulation**

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(\*) Rochet J.C., 1999. Solvency Regulations and the Management of Banking Risks, *European Economic Review*, 43: 981-990.

#### 4. Bank resolution

(\*) Dell'Ariccia G., M. S. Martinez Peria, D. Igan, E. Addo Awadzi, M. Dobler, and D. Sandri, 2018. Trade-offs in Bank Resolution, *IMF Staff Discussion Notes*, No.18/02.

(\*) Walther A. and L. White, 2020. "Rules versus Discretion in Bank Resolution", *Review of Financial Studies*, (in press) <https://doi.org/10.1093/rfs/hhaa032>.

Acharya V., I. Drechsler and P. Schnabl, 2014. A Pyrrhic Victory? Bank Bailouts and Sovereign Credit Risk, *Journal of Finance*, Vol.69 (6): 2689–2739. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jofi.12206>.

Granja J., G. Matvos and A. Seru, 2017. Selling Failed Banks, *Journal of Finance*, Vol. 72 (4): 1723–84.  
<https://doi.org/10.1111/jofi.12512>.

#### (\*) compulsory readings