TexMeth 2026 Program

Friday, February 20th

All February 20 events other than dinner will be held in the **Annenberg Presidential Conference Center (APCC)**

11:30 AM – 12:30 PM	**Lunch**
	Presidential Dining Room
	Napa Flats Catering

Paper Session 1: APCC 1017

12:30 PM – 12:55 PM	Paper 1: Soren Jordan, Texas A&M University, "Dynamic Causal Inference Using Changepoint Models"
12:55 PM – 1:20 PM	Paper 2: Michael Auslen, University of Texas at Austin, "Issue Opinions over Time"
1:20 PM – 1:40 PM	Discussants:
	Paper 1: Max Goplerud, University of Texas
	Paper 2: Trent Ollerenshaw, University of Houston
1:40 PM – 1:50 PM	Q&A
1:50 PM – 2:00 PM	**Break**

Paper Session 2: APCC 1017

2:00 PM – 2:25 PM	Paper 3: Kubinec Robert, University of South Carolina, "Holistic Causal Learning with Causal Graphs: A Credible Method for Study Design and Preregistration in the Social Sciences"
2:25 PM – 2:50 PM	Paper 4: Bang Zheng, University of Texas at Austin, "Identifying Unmeasured Confounders in Panel Causal Models: A Two-Stage LM-Wald Approach"
2:50 PM – 3:10 PM	Discussants:
	Paper 3: Conor Jerzak, University of Texas
	Paper 4: William Clark, Texas A&M University
3:10 PM – 3:20 PM	Q&A
3:20 PM – 3:30 PM	**Break**

Poster Session: AAPC 1011B

3:30 PM – 4:30 PM	Andrés Cruz, University of Texas Austin, "Sensitivity Bounds for Uncertainty Propagation"

Dagmar Heintze, UT Dallas, "(Semi)independent Human Rights Advocates: National Prevention Mechanisms and Human Rights Monitoring and Reporting"

Shiladitya Kumar, University of Houston, "Electoral Risk and Portfolio Liquidity in Indian State Assembly Elections"

Merve Keskin, "Measuring Child Recruitment in Civil Wars Using Large Language Models: A New Actor-Level Dataset"

Songeun Emily Lee, University of Houston, "Improving Theories of Minority Representation with Machine Learning"

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4:30 PM – 4:40 PM **Break**

Paper Session 3: APCC 1017

4:40 PM – 5:05 PM Paper 5: Garrett Vande Kamp, University of Georgia, "Nonlinear Regression Models That Can (And Should) Be Used With Robust Standard Errors"

5:05 PM – 5:30 PM Paper 6: Joshua Alley, Baylor University, "Using Hierarchical Models to Estimate Heterogeneous Effects"

5:30 PM – 5:50 PM Discussants:

Paper 5: Graham Straus, University of California, Los Angeles

Paper 6: Merve Keskin, Arizona State University

5:50 PM – 6:00 PM Q&A

6:30 PM **Dinner**

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Saturday, Feb. 21

All February 21 events other than dinner will be held in the **Allen Academic Building Room 3072**

8:15 AM – 9:00 AM **Breakfast**

Jesse's Taqueria

Paper Session 4

9:00 AM – 9:25 AM Paper 7: Kuo Peng-Ting, University of Texas at Austin, "The Continuous Global Leadership Project: A Verifiable AI Search Agent Methodology", The paper will be presented jointly with Connor Jerzak.

9:25 AM – 9:50 AM Paper 8: Jake Jares, Texas A&M University, "Political Premiums: Economic Risk and Collective Action Among American Farmers"

9:50 AM – 10:10 AM Discussants:

	Paper 7: Michael Burnham, Texas A&M University
	Paper 8: Michael Auslen, University of Texas at Austin
10:10 AM – 10:20 AM	Q&A
10:20 AM – 10:30 AM	**Break**

Paper Session 5

10:30 AM – 10:55 AM	Paper 9: Max Goplerud, University of Texas at Austin, "Disentangling Causal Mechanisms in Conjoint Experiments Using Mediation"
10:55 AM –11:20 AM	Paper 10: Mike Denly, Texas A&M University, "Aligning Estimands, Identification, and Conclusions"
11:20 AM –11:40 AM	Discussants:
	Paper 9: Kubinec Robert, University of South Carolina
	Paper 10: Garrett Vande Kamp, University of Georgia
11:40 AM – 11:50 AM	Q&A
11:50 AM – 1:00 PM	**Lunch**
	Nick The Greek Catering