

The Lincoln Economics and Finance Research Group (LEAF) presents:

Professor John Gibson

Hosted by Dr. Shrabani Saha

All Welcome on Wednesday 25th September 4 - 5:30pm

*Talk Title: Measuring prices, the cost of living and inequality in
developing countries: An experiment comparing expert knowledge and
traditional price surveys*

Professor John Gibson holds a Professorial Chair in the Department of Economics, University of Waikato, New Zealand and an outstanding economist who has made significant contributions to knowledge around migration, particularly from the Pacific, and about survey-based measurement of living standards.

He has led the Pacific Island-New Zealand Migration Study (PINZMS) for over a decade to measure impacts of skilled, seasonal, and random ballot-based migration from the Pacific. His scholarship is recognised at the highest levels including the World Bank, the Asian Development Bank and the Chinese Academy of Sciences.

He has received prestigious national awards and is ranked in the top 0.4% of economists worldwide.

He has made major contributions to public policy especially in the area of Pacific-New Zealand migration policies. His work has spread beyond the Pacific and has become the new norm for design, measurement, and analysis. He has supervised a large number of successful PhD students who have become outstanding researchers in their own right. He has previously taught at the University of Canterbury, and the Economics Department and Center for Development Economics at Williams College. Since receiving his Ph.D. from Stanford University, USA he has worked in the following countries: Cambodia, China, Fiji, India, Papua New Guinea, Russia, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Thailand, Tonga, Vanuatu, and Vietnam. His recent publications have appeared in the Economic Journal, Review of Economics and Statistics, and Journal of Development Economics. Professor Gibson is a Fellow of the prestigious Royal Society of New Zealand.



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