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Time: 3:30pm

Location: Buchanan Hall 1930

Speaker: LUC E. ANSELIN
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Title: 20 years since Spatial Econometrics

Abstract: It has been a little over 20 years since "Spatial Econometrics" (Anselin 1988) appeared, written while the author was at UCSB. The book emphasized the importance of spatial dependence and spatial heterogeneity and their integration into econometric methodology. This talk reflects on the evolution of the field, especially its roots in earlier work in quantitative geography and regional science, and comments on current trends and outstanding methodological issues.

About the speaker: Luc E. Anselin is Foundation Professor of Geographical Sciences, Director of the School of Geographical Sciences and Interim Director of the School of Planning at Arizona State University. He is also Founding Director of the GeoDa Center for Geospatial Analysis and Computation at ASU. His Ph.D. in Regional Science is from Cornell University and he holds a Masters in Econometrics, Statistics and Operations Research from the Free University of Brussels, where he also obtained an undergraduate degree in Economics. Dr. Anselin's research deals with various aspects of spatial data analysis and geographic information science, ranging from exploratory spatial data analysis to geocomputation, spatial statistics and spatial econometrics, with substantive applications in regional economics, environmental economics, real estate economics as well as in epidemiology, criminology and political science. He is the developer of the SpaceStat and GeoDa software packages. He was elected a Fellow of the Regional Science Association International in 2004, obtained the Walter Isard Award in 2005, the William Alonso Memorial Prize in 2006 and was elected to the National Academy of Sciences in 2008

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