Studying the U.S. Economy: A Toolbox for Hong Kong-Based Researchers

Abstract

The United States Economy is one of the most studied trading systems in the world, but it is nonetheless challenging for outsiders. American economic data is decentralized among different federal, local and state agencies, and much of it is restricted to U.S.-based IP addresses. In this seminar, Dr. Adler seeks to demystify the process of accessing and analyzing U.S. data. Attendees will survey the landscape for U.S. economic data at the national, state and metropolitan level. They will learn tips on how to access key data sources from Hong Kong, including via an API. Finally, they will get an in-depth tutorial on how to use three key data sources: *The US Census, The Quarterly Survey of Employment and Wages,* and *The Consumer Price Index (BLS).*