



LBJ School of Public Affairs, The University of Texas at Austin

Bass Lecture Hall | LBJ School | Austin, Texas | October 16, 2017

8:00 – 8:45 AM	Check-in and Continental Breakfast
8:45 – 9:00 AM	Welcome: Dean Angela Evans, LBJ School of Public Affairs, The University of Texas at Austin Overview: James Galbraith, LBJ School of Public Affairs, The University of Texas at Austin
9:00 – 10:30 AM	<p>Session 1: NAFTA and Texas:</p> <p><i>The strength of Texas-Mexico trade ties; impacts of trade on workers; wages and NAFTA; trade infrastructure in the Texas economy.</i></p> <p>Chair: Ken Flamm, LBJ School of Public Affairs, The University of Texas at Austin</p> <p>Chandra Bhat, Center for Transportation Research, The University of Texas at Austin</p> <p>Andrew Cassey, Washington State University</p> <p>John McLaren, University of Virginia</p> <p>Andre Mollick, UT Rio Grande Valley</p>
10:30 – 11:00 AM	BREAK
11:00 AM – 12:30 PM	<p>Session 2: Immigrants and Texas:</p> <p><i>What economists know about the impact of immigration; economic impacts of immigrants on Texas; immigrants in the Texas construction industry; immigrants and up-skilling in the Texas workforce.</i></p> <p>Chair: Ruth Wasem, LBJ School of Public Affairs, The University of Texas at Austin</p> <p>Ernesto Cortes, Industrial Areas Foundation</p> <p>John Kennan, University of Wisconsin, Madison</p> <p>Pia Orrenius, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas</p> <p>Heath Prince, Ray Marshall Center, The University of Texas at Austin</p> <p>Terrie Walmsley, ImpactECON</p>
12:30 – 2:00 PM	Lunch and Keynote Address: Honorable Julián Castro

2:15 – 3:45 PM	<p>Session 3: The Border and Texas</p> <p><i>Border cities in the Texas economy; determinants of migration to the US; border realities; the border environment and environmental policies.</i></p> <p>Chair: David Eaton, LBJ School of Public Affairs, The University of Texas at Austin</p> <p>Jesus Canas, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas</p> <p>Tom Fullerton, UT El Paso</p> <p>Laura Huffman, The Nature Conservancy</p> <p>Steve Niemeyer, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality</p> <p>Tony Zavaleta, Trustee, Texas Southmost College</p>
3:45 – 4:00 PM	BREAK
4:00 – 5:00 PM	<p>Session 4: Detention and Deportation: Community Perspectives and Policy</p> <p><i>New Policies and Impacts on Communities</i></p> <p>Chair: Denise Gilman, The University of Texas School of Law</p> <p>Mayor Steve Adler, Austin</p> <p>Mònica Teresa Ortiz, Tan Cerca de la Frontera</p> <p>Virginia Raymond, Justice for Our Neighbors</p>
5:00 – 5:30 PM	Closing Remarks - Representative Byron Cook, Texas House of Representatives