Seminar

S. Theory of Practice and Commercial Law

This seminar evaluates the state of our knowledge — What do we know? — regarding the goals, effects, costs and benefits of laws governing commercial transactions. Each week we take up a different topic and discuss three or four related academic papers. These papers will set out theoretical and empirical perspectives on secured lending, personal and business bankruptcy, credit card transactions, payday lending and other topics. Our goal is to understand the extent to which theory and evidence produce a coherent view of the underlying commercial activity.