

The Liberal Arts University in Hong Kong 香港的博雅大學

## Department of Economics Seminar

## "Some International Issues with Emerging Countries: A Political Economy Approach"

(in English)



Professor FUNG Kwok-chiu Department of Economics University of California, USA

## **Abstract:**

In this paper we will examine analytically several international issues facing rapidly-growing emerging countries. We will utilize a variant of the pressure group model to examine the national welfare implications of various degrees of trade interventions or non-interventions. We will also examine theoretically the case where emerging countries are faced with external, foreign pressures. Finally we will look at some of the implications of emerging countries joining the World Trade Organization (WTO).

Date: 26 April 2012 (Thursday)

Time: 2:00pm – 3:30pm

Venue: GEG02, B. Y. Lam Building

## **Biography:**

Professor Fung is a Full Professor of Economics (with tenure) at the University of California, Santa Cruz. He has been teaching at UC, Santa Cruz since 1989. He was a Senior Economist in the White House Council of Economic Advisers and an Academic adviser at the United States International Trade Commission. He was also a consultant to the World Bank and the Asian Development Bank. So far, he has been the dissertation supervisor of 11 UCSC Economics Ph.D. students. From 1998-2001, he was the Economics Ph.D. Program Director and the Placement Director for the Ph.D. students. He is a Cofounder of Santa Cruz Center for International Economics. He got his B.A. (with Honors) from Swarthmore College (USA) and Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin-Madison (USA).

He has also taught at Stanford University, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Mount Holyoke College and the University of Hong Kong. At Stanford, he taught a Ph.D. course on international trade theory, an undergraduate course on international economics, an undergraduate course on the Japanese economy and a writing-intensive undergraduate course on public policy in the United States.

ALL ARE WELCOME

Enquire: 26167047(Kit)