

Research seminar I: Professor seminar

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Objectives:

The goal of the “Professor seminar” is to develop critical thinking skills through both seminar participation and writing of referee reports. You have to attend the *Economic Analysis, Econometrics and Finance Seminars* which take place at THEMA (usually) on Thursday.* You will have to write a referee report on (at least) one of the papers presented in this seminar. By the end of the term, you will have learned how to read a research paper, how to place it in the literature, how to identify its strengths and weaknesses and how to write an effective referee report.

Compulsory reference:

Berk J.B., Campbell R. H., Hirshleifer D. (2017), [How to Write an Effective Referee Report and Improve the Scientific Review Process](#), *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, 31(1), 231–244.

Due to the coronavirus pandemic, our set of seminars this academic year has been drastically reduced. Therefore, you can choose a paper that was presented between September and mid-March during the [Economic Analysis, Econometrics and Finance Seminars](#) or you can attend one of the online seminars (be aware that you must register in advance for most of them!) in the list that will be regularly updated on the [Professor seminar's website](#). Feel free to make me suggestions as well. If you plan to review a paper that was not presented in the Economic Analysis, Econometrics and Finance Seminars, **you need first to check with me if the paper fits the requirements for the exercise. Among other criteria, the paper cannot be already published in an academic journal but needs to be polished enough (e.g. to appear in a Working Paper series) so that one can imagine it has been submitted to a journal. **You need to send the research paper to me and to get my approval before starting reviewing it!**

Deadline to send you referee report: **June 25th, 2020** (laurence.jacquet@cyu.fr)