Attending and presenting in conferences, particularly over the summer, is valuable, both in terms of experience and exposure. Some conference information is listed on the next page of this memo.

Please note that some of these conferences (such as the European Meetings of the ES) overlap with the start of the 2013 Fall semester. As I hope you recall, the department expects teaching assistants to be available from the 26th of August to help instructors prepare for the beginning of teaching. **With my prior permission**, students can present in the European Meetings of the ES or similar meetings, even though it conflicts with this requirement. **NOTE** the bolded phrase: you must get my prior permission.
Conferences

A useful general link to conferences is: http://editorialexpress.com/conference/

Some conferences:

1. Minnesota Workshop in Macroeconomic Theory (good but hard to get into)
2. NBER Summer Institute (good but hard to get into)
6. Midwest Macro Conference
7. Latin American or Asian Meetings of the ES
8. Econometric Society China Meeting (inaugural): http://www.econometricssociety.org/meetingnews.asp?ref=57. The Inaugural China Meeting of the Econometric Society will take place in Beijing, China, from June 14 to June 16, 2013. It will be the first of such meetings, to be held in China on a regular basis, to promote academic exchanges between scholars in greater China and the West. The program will consist of invited and contributed papers. The Presidential Address will be given by James J. Heckman (University of Chicago). Authors are encouraged to submit papers in theoretical and applied research in economics and in econometrics. The Program Committee (Chaired by Ho-Mou Wu, Peking University) accepts submissions of electronic manuscripts. Please submit your paper through the website: http://app.econometricsociety-chinameeting.org/ from December 17th, 2012 to March 16th, 2013.
9. IZA (Institute for the Study of Labor, Bonn, Germany) has many conferences and money to pay for flights.
10. Social Inequality Conference at University of Chicago, where students can apply to attend and also present (Heckman and Durlauf run this weeklong conference).
11. Midwest Economic Theory and International Trade Meetings (Annually, typically late spring)
12. SAET Conference (Annual conference focusing on Economic Theory)
13. 9th Spain-Italy-Netherlands Meeting on Game Theory 7/8 - 7/10 Vigo, Spain
15. Stony Brook Conference on Game Theory 7/8 - 7/12 Stony Brook.
16. Last year there was also MOOD 2012 - 12th Doctoral Workshop in Economic Theory and Econometrics - held at EIEF (Rome) on June 26-28 2012 (I do not know if it is will be held this year). The workshop is designed to stimulate the interaction between senior economists and doctoral students working on both theoretical and empirical economic issues, and well ahead in their dissertation.