
Workshop Announcements

IRP summer workshop, 1990

Applications are invited for participation in a research workshop on the theme "Labor Market Prospects for the Disadvantaged," to be held at the Institute for Research on Poverty, University of Wisconsin-Madison, tentatively scheduled for June 25-29, 1990. Designed to build a community of research interest around this and related topics concerning the low-income population, the workshop will gather approximately 40 junior and senior researchers for formal and informal discussions over the course of the week. Junior researchers are especially encouraged to apply. The workshop is intended to focus on the application of methods on the frontier of empirical analysis, and papers using such methods will be presented at morning and afternoon sessions. The workshop is being organized by Robert Moffitt, in collaboration with Charles F. Manski and Robert D. Mare. Participants will be drawn from the disciplines of economics, demography, and sociology. Limited funds are available for travel and lodging. Selection of participants will be announced by the end of April 1990.

Prospective participants should submit a curriculum vitae and a statement of research interest in the theme. If the applicant wishes to present a paper, an abstract should be included in the submission.

Applications must be received by March 15, 1990, at the Institute for Research on Poverty, 3412 Social Science Building, 1180 Observatory Drive, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI 53706. Contact person: Elizabeth Evanson (608-262-6574).

Luxembourg Income Study summer workshop

The Luxembourg Income Study (LIS) has made comparable over twenty large microdata sets that contain comprehensive measures of income and economic well-being for a set of modern industrialized welfare states. The LIS databank currently covers eleven countries for 1979-82—Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Israel, the Netherlands, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom, and the United States. Datasets for 1985-87 will be in place by spring 1990. The new datasets will cover most of the previously mentioned countries and Italy, Poland, Hungary, Ireland, Luxembourg, and Finland as well.

The LIS Summer Workshop is a two-week pre- and post-doctoral workshop designed to introduce young scholars in the social sciences to comparative research in income distribution and social policy using the LIS database. The 1988 and 1989 workshops attracted over 50 attendees from 18 countries. The third workshop will be held July 15-27, 1990, in Luxembourg. The cost will be 36,000 Belgian francs (about \$950), which includes tuition, local travel, and full board. International transportation is not included. Students are expected to be subsidized by home countries, national and international research foundations, universities, and other sources, including at least two special scholarships from the Ford Foundation LIS Development Initiatives Fund. The language of instruction will be English. The course of study will include a mix of lectures and assistance/direction using the LIS database to explore a research issue chosen by the participant. Faculty are expected to include Anthony B. Atkinson (UK), Aldi J. M. Hagenaars (Netherlands), Richard Hauser (Germany), Cristof Starzec (France), Frank Cowell (UK), Stephen Jenkins (UK), Shelly Phipps (Canada), Colin Gillion (Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development [OECD]), Michael O'Higgins (OECD), Peter Gottschalk (USA), and Jan Eivind Kolberg (Norway).

Additional information, including application forms, is available from Timothy Smeeding, LIS Project Director (VIPPS, 1208 18th Avenue South, Nashville, TN 37212, USA); Lee Rainwater, LIS Research Director (Sociology, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA 02138, USA); or Caroline de Tombeur (LIS at CEPS/INSTEAD, B.P. #65, L-7201 Walferdange, Luxembourg). Applications are due by May 1, 1990.