BA Seminar in Development Economics

Economics of Child Labour

CONTENT

In this seminar, we analyse the economic and non-economic factors that influence the household's supply of child labour in developing countries with an emphasis on sub-Saharan Africa. We review several empirical studies to understand the incentives, agencies and constraints of the problem. With this, we provide a synthesis of the literature to gain an understanding of why child labour has persisted in the sub-region despite the significant income growth.

TARGET GROUP

BA in Economics, IWE (International Wirtschaft und Entwicklung) and P&E (Philosophy and Economics) can register for the seminar.

An understanding of regression analysis and the interpretation of regression output may be essential to follow the texts.

SEMINAR ORGANISATION

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1. An introductory lecture on the papers and the topics of the seminar is on May 17, 2019.
   All questions regarding the presentations and formal requirements and the credit points shall be discussed on this date.
2. Presentations of papers take place on **June 21-22, 2019**. Participants are required to hand in their electronic presentation by **June 18, 2019**
3. Deadline for the submission of the final write-up is **August 15, 2019**

Applications for the seminar are possible under a first-come-first-serve policy until May 10, 2019, via the following link: [https://goo.gl/forms/LNLk9nyqfAQhX7OA3](https://goo.gl/forms/LNLk9nyqfAQhX7OA3)

**Requirements**

1. Seminar participants are required to make an academic presentation of their assigned papers. The presentation may include additional related literature and/or data.
2. Participants must moderate the discussion following their presentation and respond to questions from the audience.
3. Active participation in discussions during the seminar is expected of all participants. **Attendance is compulsory.**
4. The grade will be given on basis of the seminar presentation and a written paper of approximately 3200 words.

**Outline of topic and literature**

**Economic shocks and child labour**


**Household wealth and child labour**


**Economic growth and child labour**


**Child labour and educational outcomes**


**Household characteristics and child labour**

