

Labor Economics – Theory, Empirical Methods, Current Research

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The objective of the Summer School in Labor Economics organized by the DFG Research Network „Flexibility in Heterogeneous Labor Markets“ is to bring together PhD students, junior researchers, and senior researchers to study and discuss recent research topics in labor economics. Three senior researchers will give 12 lectures. In addition, three will also be there lectures on data availability in Germany. Students and junior researchers have the opportunity to present their work and discuss ideas with senior researchers.

The School is open to graduate students and junior researchers, who recently finished their PhD. 12 participants will be selected to actively participate in the summer school. Active participation involves presenting one's own research work, typically a research paper. Further participants may be admitted to attend the summer school without presenting a paper.

Senior Researchers and Topic of Lectures

- Christian Dustmann, University College London, UK: Network effects (e.g. peer group effects, ethnic segregation, crime); The impact of migration on the economy
- Bernd Fitzenberger, Albert-Ludwigs-University Freiburg, Germany: Human capital (theory, empirical applications), Skill biased technical change and trends in wage inequality, Introduction to quantile regression and recent applications in labor economics
- Arthur van Soest, Tilburg University, Netherlands: Labor supply: theory and empirical work – a review of alternative approaches; Labor force participation of older workers: retirement, health, and work disability (theory and empirical work)

The three lectures on available data in the research data centers of the Bundesagentur für Arbeit and the Statistical Offices or in the data service center IZA will be held by Stefan Bender (BA/IAB), Markus Zwick (Statistical Office), and Hilmar Schneider (IZA).

Funding: Local expenses and traveling are fully covered for active participants who are accepted to present their own research. The decision will be based on academic merits. Attending students, who do not present, may apply for partial financial support. The decision on financial support will be based on academic merits and needs.

Application: Deadline for Application: May 2, 2008

Application must include CV, list of completed papers and publications, suggested paper for presentation in summer school, and a reference letter from academic advisor.

Please send your complete application to Benedikt Lang: benedikt.lang@zew.de. The reference letter must be sent by the academic advisor. Decision will be made by May 20, 2008.

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