



Conceptualising and Measuring Poverty: Methods for the 21st Century Summer School University College Cork 18th to 22nd June 2012

The Institute for Social Science in the 21st Century, the School of Applied Social Studies, and the Department of Food Business & Development, University College Cork, will host a week-long Summer School in June 2012 on the theme of conceptualising and measuring poverty.

The key objectives of the Summer School will be to:

- Critically analyse current poverty concepts and frameworks utilised within Ireland and Europe
- Demonstrate the potential uses of existing datasets on poverty, including EU-SILC, Household Budget Survey and Census of Population, with hands-on experience of working with the datasets
- Explore the variety of poverty measurement methodologies and the turn towards more participatory and community-centred approaches to poverty measurement and approaches
- Examine the multidimensionality of poverty as it becomes manifest in specific issues and groups in the population.

Who should attend: postgraduate students and academics, researchers, staff of statutory and voluntary bodies, community activists, and all those with an interest in evaluating and engaging with research in the area of poverty and social inclusion.

There is no registration fee for the summer school. A limited number of bursaries are available. Lunch and light refreshments will be provided.

Please register your interest at povertysummerschool@ucc.ie by Friday May 18th 2012

Schedule & programme content

Monday 18th

Opening of the summer school: overview of the week, discussion of summer school goals and learning objectives

Opening address

Joan Burton, T.D., Minister for Social Protection.

Keynote address

Economics, Social Policy, and Moral Sentiments

Prof. Bill Jordan, University of Plymouth.

Fighting Poverty and Social Exclusion in Europe

Ms. Isabelle Engsted-Maquet, Deputy Head of Unit, Social Analysis, European Commission - DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion.

Taking the social quality approach to poverty indicators

Prof. Dr. Peter Herrmann, Senior Advisor, Social Quality Foundation, The Hague, and EuroMemo Group.

Tuesday 19th

Devising poverty indicators using micro-census data

Mr. Trutz Haase, Independent Social and Economic Research Consultant.

Housing and poverty: deriving indicators from data sources

Mr. Joe Finnerty and Dr. Cathal O'Connell, University College Cork, Ireland.

Using CSO poverty data sources

Mr. Eoin McCuirc, Statistician, Central Statistics Office.

Wednesday 20th

Use of administrative data sources for poverty research: the construction of poverty profiles from rent assessment records

Prof. Des McCafferty, Mary Immaculate College, Limerick.

Methodological choices and opportunity cost in the measurement of child and family poverty

Mr. Brian Merriman, Children's Research Centre, Trinity College Dublin

Constructing minimum income standards

Prof. Noel Smith, School of Applied Social Sciences, University Campus Suffolk.

Approach to Enhancing Knowledge Exchange With Stakeholders

Dr. Stephen Sinclair, Glasgow Caledonian University.

Identifying NGO research needs: Interactive session with NGO participants.

Thursday 21st

CSO perspective on EU-SILC

Ms. Pamela Lafferty, Lead Statistician EU-SILC, Central Statistics Office.

Northern Ireland EU-SILC

Prof. Mike Tomlinson, Queen's University Belfast.

Financial inclusion: conducting research with low income households

Dr. Sharon Collard, Bristol University.

Spatial mapping of poverty data

Ms. Helen Bradley and Dr. Denis Linehan, University College Cork, Ireland.

Poverty indicators and older people: using the Household Budget Survey

Dr. Eleanor Bantry White and Dr. Huan Yu, University College Cork, Ireland.

Friday 22nd

Linking policy and practice: the role of NGOs

Mr. Fintan Farrell, European Anti-Poverty Network.

The importance of poverty indicators and targets in the National Action Plan for Social Inclusion

Mr. Jim Walsh, Social Inclusion Division, Dept. of Social Protection.

Mid-day: Discussion of Learning Outcomes. Close of Summer School



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