THIRTEENTH SUMMER SCHOOL IN INTERNATIONAL AND DEVELOPMENT ECONOMICS

Investment, Saving and Wellbeing in Developing Countries

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Schedule:

Wednesday 11 June
9.00 – 10.30 Lecture 1 Professor Orazio Attanasio
10.30 – 11.00 Coffee Break
11.00 – 12.30 Lecture 2 Professor Orazio Attanasio
12.30 – 14.00 Lunch
14.00 – 15.30 Lecture 3 Professor Orazio Attanasio
15.30 – 16.00 Coffee Break
16.00 – 17.30 Lecture 4 Professor Orazio Attanasio

Thursday 12 June
9.00 – 10.30 Lecture 5 Professor Pascaline Dupas
10.30 – 11.00 Coffee Break
11.00 – 12.30 Lecture 6 Professor Pascaline Dupas
12.30 – 14.00 Lunch
14.00 – 15.30 Lecture 7 Professor Orazio Attanasio
15.30 – 16.00 Coffee Break
16.00 – 17.30 Lecture 8 Professor Orazio Attanasio

Friday 13 June
8.30 – 10.30 Lecture 9 Professor Pascaline Dupas
10.30 – 11.00 Coffee Break
11.00 – 13.00 Lecture 10 Professor Pascaline Dupas
13.00 – 14.00 Lunch at Palazzo Feltrinelli
14.00 – 15.00 Lecture 11 Professor Orazio Attanasio
15.00 – 16.00 Lecture 12 Professor Pascaline Dupas
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Part I

The production function of human capital in early years.

Lecture 1, June 11 9:00-10:30 (90 minutes)

1.1 Evidence on human capital accumulation
   1.1.1 The Socio Economic Gap in HK in early years in developing countries.
   1.1.2 Interventions: community nurseries
   1.1.3 Interventions: stimulations
      1.1.3.1 The Jamaica Study
      1.1.3.2 The Colombia Study

Lecture 2, June 11:00-12:30 (90 minutes)

1.2 Models of accumulation of human capital:
   1.2.1 The production function of human capital
   1.2.2 Investment in human capital
   1.2.3 Constraints to the accumulation of human capital.

Readings for topic 1.

Readings marked with ** are highly recommended.


Part II

Consumption smoothing in developing countries: Theory and empirics. How far from first best?

Lecture 3, June 11 14:00-15:30 (90 minutes)
Lecture 4, June 11 16:00-17:30 (90 minutes)
Lecture 7, June 12 14:00-15:30 (90 minutes)
Lecture 8, June 12 16:00-17:30 (90 minutes)
Lecture 11, June 13 14:00-15:00 (60 minutes)

Models of insurance markets in developing countries.
  - The paradigm of perfect insurance.
  - Tests of perfect insurance
  - Imperfections and frictions: imperfectly enforceable contracts
  - Imperfections and frictions: asymmetric information

Readings for topic 2.
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**A. Education as an Investment: Empirics**

**A1. Returns to education -- Lecture 5, June 12 (90 minutes)**


**A2. Demand for education -- Lecture 6, June 12 (90 minutes)**


* Nancy Qian (2013): "Quantity-Quality and the One Child Policy: The Only Child Disadvantage on School Enrollment in Rural China"


B. Health as Human Capital Investment

B1. Health and Productivity -- Lecture 9, June 13 (120 minutes)


B2. Demand for health -- Lecture 10, June 13 (120 minutes)


*For Reviews:*


C. Household-level vs. Individual-level Well-Being: Human capital investments under Gender and Birth-order preferences

Lecture 12, June 13 (60 minutes)


Jayachandran, Seema, and Rohini Pande (2013): "Why Are Indian Children Shorter Than African Children?"

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