Seminar Microeconometrics

This project seminar deals with microeconometric analyses of topics in health economics and social policy. The baseline literature consists of papers that use data from the Survey of Health and Ageing and Retirement in Europe (SHARE). Each student picks a paper and replicates its results using the statistical software Stata. A major part of the project will be work on data preparation. Every participant is expected to work with Stata on their own. Knowledge of Stata is not a prerequisite as there will be a detailed introduction to it.

The participants work in the Software-Pool on their projects once a week. At the end of the semester the results will be presented and discussed. A brief assignment (max. 15 pages) in which the results are summarized completes the seminar. The assignments can be written in German or English. By working on their own empirical projects the participants qualify for an empirical master thesis. Further developments of seminar topics for a master thesis are welcome.

Basic knowledge of Statistics, Econometrics (regression analysis) as well as the willingness to get used to Stata (with assistance) are expected. Moreover the participation in the Microeconometrics lecture is very helpful.

All basic literature can be found online on koaLA. Therefore, interested students are able to look for a preferred topic in advance.

Dates:

Friday, 15.4.2016, 12-13: Topic assignment, Q2.203 (watch out: we meet at 12:00 although PAUL says 11:00!)

Friday, 22.4. 2016, 11-13: Introduction to Stata, Q2.203

Friday, 29.4. 2016, 11-13: Introduction to SHARE, Q2.203

Every Friday thereafter, 11-13: own project work, Q2.203
Friday, 8.7.2016: Submission of the assignments

Friday, 15.7.2016: Presentations conducted as a block seminar, time and room t.b.a.
(depending on the number of participants, could be the entire day)

Topics

Retirement


Early Life Conditions


Long-term care


Health, labor market and education


Miscellaneous