# Summer School on Multidimensional Poverty Analysis

Oxford Poverty and Human Development Initiative (OPHI)

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#### Welcome!

Welcome to the HDCA Summer School on Capability and Multidimensional Poverty. We are very pleased to be able to share with you our interest in these important topics. We hope that you find your experience at the Summer School an interesting and valuable one. We are sure that we will learn a lot from you at the same time that you are learning from us. Please do not hesitate to ask questions or request clarifications on any matter at any point during the course. We will present the course content through lectures but there will also be exercises and working group sessions that will help you to incorporate the new content from the lectures through learning-by-doing. It is important that you take the time to work on these exercises since they will help you to understand the subject matters better.

Bon Voyage! The Instructors

The capability approach formulated by Amartya Sen, and further developed by the philosopher Martha Nussbaum and others, provides a conceptual framework that grounds many multidimensional approaches to poverty and social protection. This includes the MDGs, PRSPs, rights-based development, integrated social policy, and other specific initiatives.

In the past few years, interest in multidimensional quantitative techniques of analysis has surged. New quantitative methodologies have been developed for measurement, comparison, and analysis. Many more are still under development. It is a fast-moving area.

The purpose of this intensive summer school is to provide a thorough conceptual and technical introduction to some techniques of measuring multidimensional poverty with a strong emphasis on the Alkire-Foster method. Participants will revise axiomatic poverty measures and they will learn different multidimensional poverty techniques and problems they best solve. The empirical motivation for measuring multidimensional poverty will be presented as well as the conceptual motivation drawing on Sen's Capability approach.

#### 1. Instructors

#### Alkire, Sabina (SA)

Sabina Alkire directs the Oxford Poverty and Human Development Initiative (OPHI). In addition, she is a Research Associate at Harvard and Vice President of the Human Development & Capability Association (HDCA). Her research interests include multidimensional poverty measurement and analysis, welfare economics, the capability approach, the measurement of freedoms and human development. She holds a DPhil in Economics from Magdalen College, University of Oxford.

#### Apablaza, Mauricio

Mauricio Apablaza is a Researcher and Coordinator of the Outreach Initiative of the Oxford Poverty and Human Development Initiative (OPHI). He has Doctorate in Economics from the University of Nottingham, United Kingdom. He has been regional director for civil society organizations and consultant to international businesses and agencies (MEDSTAT-UNICEF). He has been a professor of undergraduate and graduate studies at the University del Desarrollo (Chile) and Nottingham (UK). He has led training programs for OPHI in Malaysia, Indonesia, Jordan, Egypt, Hungary, Holland and Thailand, among others. His areas of research include institutions, international commerce and multidimensional poverty.

#### Ballón, Paola (PB)

Paola Ballon is a Research Officer at OPHI. She holds a Ph.D in Econometrics from the University of Geneva, Switzerland. Her research interest includes structural equation modeling, applied micro-econometrics, quantitative development economics, and labour economics. She has been a researcher at the International Labour Office (ILO), at the United Nations University (UNU-WIDER), and at the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development (UNRISD). She is a Member of the Editorial Board of the "Review of Income and Wealth".

#### Foster, James (JF)

James Foster is Professor of Economics and International Affairs at The Elliott School of International Affairs at The George Washington University. Professor Foster received his Ph.D. in economics from Cornell University where he received the Selma Fine Goldsmith Award for his dissertation. He held positions at the Krannert School of Management at Purdue University and Department of Economics at Vanderbilt before joining the Elliott School. He has been a visiting professor at the London School of Economics, Cornell, Essex, Oxford, Harvard, and the University of the Americas in Puebla, Mexico. He received the Unilever Fellowship (UK) and the Robert Wood Johnson Investigator Award in Health Policy, and holds a Doctorate Honoris Causa, from Universidad Autonoma del Estado de Hidalgo (Mexico).

# Roche, José Manuel (JMR)

José Manuel Roche is a Research Officer at OPHI. He is also a research fellow at CISOR, an Education Officer of the HDCA executive council, and the coordinator of the Quantitative Research Thematic Group at the HDCA. José Manuel holds a PhD in Sociology from the University of Sussex and has research and consultancy experience in poverty analysis, social inequality, survey analysis, social indicators and on the human development and the capability approach.

#### Santos, Maria Emma (MES)

Maria Emma is an Assistant Professor at the Department of Economics, Universidad Nacional del Sur, Argentina, a research fellow of the Consejo Nacional de Investigaciones Cientificas y Tecnicas (CONICET), Argentina and a research associate to the Oxford Poverty and Human Development Initiative, University of Oxford. Her research interests include the measurement and analysis of chronic and multidimensional poverty, the quality of education, its determinants, and its role for poverty persistence. She is particularly interested in Latin American countries.

#### Seth, Suman (SS)

Suman Seth is a Research Officer at OPHI. He has also worked for the Regional Bureau of Latin America and the Caribbean, UNDP, and the Development Research Group at the World Bank. His primary interest lies in the area of Development Economics with special emphasis on measurement methodologies and policy-oriented applications of multidimensional welfare and poverty measures.

#### Vaz, Ana (AV)

Ana Vaz is a Research Officer at OPHI. She has also worked for PricewaterhouseCoopers and at the Catholic University of Portugal. Her primary research interests are Development Economics and Applied Microeconomics. Her work at OPHI has focused on the policy applications of the Alkire Foster method for multidimensional measurement.

#### Zavaleta, Diego (DZ)

Diego Zavaleta is a Research Officer at OPHI. He is involved in research pertaining aspects of shame, humiliation and isolation as missing dimensions of poverty data. His doctoral research focused on economic relations that prevent major ethnic conflict in Bolivia, as part of a global project within the Centre for Research on Inequality, Human Security and Ethnicity (CRISE) at the University of Oxford. He has D.Phil in Development Studies and a M.Sc. in Public Policy from the University of Oxford, an MBA from the University of Birmingham and a B.S. in Economics from Arizona State University. He has worked for a variety of International Organisations, including The World Bank and the United Nations Development Program, as well as for the Bolivian government. Before joining Oxford, he was the Secretary for the National Dialogue of the Ministry of the Presidency. He is a Bolivian national.

# 2. Programme

Times	Day 1 (08/07)	Day 2 (09/07)	Day 3 (10/07)	Day 4 (11/07)	Day 5 (12/07)	Day 6 (13/07)
09:00- 10:30	Introduction & Overview of the Summer School (SA)	Introduction to the Capability Approach (SA)	Paper-based Exercises on AF Methodology (AV)	Exam (All)	Working Groups: Exploring the Dataset (MA/PB)	Measures of Associations (PB)
11:00- 12:30	Unidimensional Poverty Measurement (JF)	Properties of MD Poverty (SS)	Normative Issues in MD Poverty (SA)	Working Groups: Normative Issues (MES)	Working in Groups: Creating the Deprivation Matrix (SS)	Sub Index Scales Validation (JMR)
13:30- 15:00	Why Multidimensional (MD) Poverty Measures? (SA)	Alkire Foster (AF) Methodology (JF)	Case Study: the International MPI (JMR & MES)	Survey Design, Bias Analysis, Missing Values, & Sample Drop (JMR)	Working Groups' Preparing Presentations (All)	
15:30- 17:.00	Overview of MD Poverty Methods (SA& PB & MES)	Paper-based Exercises on AF Methodology (MES)	Case Studies: National MD Poverty Measures (SA)	STATA Lab & Descriptive statistics (MA)	Working Groups' Results Presentations (MES)	
Times	Day 7 (15/07)	Day 8 (16/07)	Day 9 (17/07)	Day 10 (18/07)	Day 1 (19/07)	Day 6 (20/07)
<i>Times</i> 09:00- 10:30	Day 7 (15/07)  Working in Groups: Creating the Deprivation Matrix (PB)	Working Groups: Subgroup Decomposition & Maps (JMR)	Day 9 (17/07)  Inequality Among The Poor (JF & SS)	Day 10 (18/07)  Clarifying Concepts and Communicating your Results (SA & MES)	Day 1 (19/07)  Review of the Course & Closure (SA)	Non Compulsory Exam (MA)
09:00-	Working in Groups: Creating the Deprivation	Working Groups: Subgroup Decomposition	Inequality Among The	Clarifying Concepts and Communicating your Results	Review of the Course &	Non Compulsory
09:00- 10:30	Working in Groups: Creating the Deprivation Matrix (PB)	Working Groups: Subgroup Decomposition & Maps (JMR)  Working Groups: Dimensional Breakdown	Inequality Among The Poor (JF & SS)  Time Series & Chronicity	Clarifying Concepts and Communicating your Results (SA & MES)  Working Groups' Results Presentations	Review of the Course & Closure (SA)	Non Compulsory

#### 3. Syllabi

**Topic: Introduction & Overview of the Summer School** 

Session: Monday 8 July, 09:00-10:30

Instructor: Sabina Alkire

#### **Contents:**

• Presentation of the OPHI Team

- Presentation of the Participants
- Presentation of the Summer School, aims and goals.
- Presentation of the programme of the Summer School
- Logistic Information

# **Pre-Summer School Reading List:**

- 1. ALKIRE, S. (2008), "The Capability Approach to the Quality of Life". Background paper to the Commission on the Measurement of Economic Performance and Social Progress. http://www.ophi.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/OPHI-RP-2a.pdf
- 2. ALKIRE, S. and J. FOSTER (2009), "Counting and Multidimensional Poverty" in von Braun, Joachim, Vargas Hill, Ruth and Rajul Pandya-Lorch eds, The Poorest and Hungry: Assessment, Analysis and Actions, p 77-90. Washington DC: International Food Policy Research Institute <a href="http://www.ifpri.org/sites/default/files/publications/oc63ch03.pdf">http://www.ifpri.org/sites/default/files/publications/oc63ch03.pdf</a>
- 3. ALKIRE, S. and M. E. SANTOS (2011), "Training Material for Producing National Human Development Reports" <a href="http://www.ophi.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/MPI-Primer1.pdf">http://www.ophi.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/MPI-Primer1.pdf</a>.

#### **Topic: Unidimensional Poverty Measurement**

Session: Monday 8 July, 11:00-12:30

Instructor: James Foster

#### **Contents:**

- Steps in poverty measurement: identification and aggregation.
- Properties of unidimensional poverty measures.
- Unidimensional poverty measures.
- Poverty Orderings (Unidimensional stochastic dominance conditions and the links to poverty measures)

#### **Reading List:**

#### Basic

1. ALKIRE, S. and M. E. SANTOS (2009), "Poverty and Inequality Measurement", in DENEULIN, S. and SHAHANI, L. An Introduction to the Human Development and Capability Approach, Chapter 6. London, Earthscan.

#### Advanced

- 2. ATKINSON, A. B. (1987): "On the Measurement of Poverty", Econometrica. 55: 749-764.
- 3. FIELDS, G. (2001): Distribution and Development. New York: Russell Sage Foundation and Cambridge, MA: MIT. Chapter 4.
- 4. FOSTER, J. E. (2006): "Poverty Indices" in A. de Janvry and R. Kanbur (eds), Poverty, Inequality and Development: Essays in Honor to Erik Thorbecke. New York: Springer Science.
- 5. FOSTER, J. E. and A. Sen (1997): "On Economic Inequality: After a Quarter Century". Annex to the Expanded Edition of A. Sen. On Economic Inequality. Oxford: Clarendon Press. Section A.6.
- 6. FOSTER, J. E., S. SETH, M. LOKSHIN, Z. SAJAIA (2013), A Unified Approach to Measuring Poverty and Inequality, The World Bank.
- 7. FOSTER, J. E. and A. SHORROCKS. (1988): "Poverty Orderings and Welfare Dominance", Social Choice and Welfare. 5: 179-198.
- 8. RAY, D. (1998): Development Economics. New Jersey: Princeton. Chapter 8.

- 1. ATKINSON, A. B. (1987): "On the Measurement of Poverty", Econometrica. 55: 749-764.
- 2. BARRET, G. and S. DONALD, (2003), "Consistent Tests for Stochastic Dominance", Econometrica, 71(1): 71-104.
- 3. CLARK, S., HEMMING, R., and D. ULPH. (1981): "On Indices for the Measurement of Poverty", Economic Journal. 91: 515-26.
- 4. FOSTER, J. E. (1998) "Absolute versus Relative Poverty" American Economic Review, Papers and Proceedings. 88: 335-341.
- 5. FOSTER, J. E. and A. SHORROCKS. (1988): "Poverty Orderings and Welfare Dominance", Social Choice and Welfare. 5: 179-198.
- 6. FOSTER, J. E. and A. SHORROCKS. (1991): "Subgroup Consistent Poverty Indices", Econometrica. 59: 687-709.
- 7. FOSTER, J.E., GREER, J., and E. THORBECKE. (1984): "A Class of Decomposable Poverty Indices",

Econometrica. 52: 761-6.

- 8. RAVALLION, M. (1992): "Poverty Comparisons, A Guide to Concepts and Methods", Living Standards Measurement Study, Working Paper 88, World Bank, Washington D.C.
- 9. RAVALLION, M. (1996): "Issues in Measuring and Modelling Poverty", Economic Journal. 106: 1328-1343.
- 10. RAVALLION, M. and CHEN, S. (2009) "Weakly Relative Poverty" Policy Research Working Paper 4844, World Bank, <a href="http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\_id=1348985">http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\_id=1348985</a>
- 11. SEN, A. (1976): "Poverty: An Ordinal Approach to Measurement", Econometrica 44: 219-231.

#### Topic: Why Multidimensional (MD) Poverty Measures?

Session: Monday 8 July, 13:30-15:30

Instructor: Sabina Alkire

#### **Contents:**

Conceptual and Philosophical arguments for multidimensional poverty measures

- Empirical evidence of Uni vs. Multi-Dimensional Poverty
- Examples of interest in multidimensional poverty measures in government agencies of different countries.

# **Reading List:**

- 1. ALKIRE, S. and M. E. SANTOS (2009), "Poverty and Inequality Measurement", in DENEULIN, S. and SHAHANI, L. An Introduction to the Human Development and Capability Approach, Chapter 6. London, Earthscan.http://www.idrc.ca/en/ev-146721-201-1-DO\_TOPIC.html
- 2. ALKIRE, S. and M. E. SANTOS (2010), "Acute Multidimensional Poverty: A new Index for Developing Countries", OPHI WP 38.http://www.ophi.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/ophi-wp38.pdf
- 3. ALKIRE, S. and S. SETH (2008), "Multidimensional Poverty Measurement and BPL Methods in India: A Comparison of Methods". OPHI Working Paper No 15.
- 4. DUCLOS, J.-Y. and ARAAR, A. 2006. 'Poverty and Equity Measurement, Policy, and Estimation with DAD', Springer and IDRC, Berlin and Ottawa.
- 5. OPHI (2010), Bhutan's Gross National Happiness Index. http://www.ophi.org.uk/policy/national-policy/bhutan/
- 6. OPHI (2011), Colombia's National Poverty Measure. <a href="http://www.ophi.org.uk/policy/national-policy/colombia-mpi/">http://www.ophi.org.uk/policy/national-policy/colombia-mpi/</a>
- 7. RUGGERI-LADERCHI, C., SAITH, R. and F. STEWART (2003), "Does it Matter that we do not agree on the definition of poverty? A Comparison of Four Approaches." Oxford Journal of Development Studies. 31:3 243-274.
- 8. SANTOS, M.E. and K. URA (2008), "Multidimensional Poverty in Bhutan: Estimates and Policy Implications". OPHI Working Paper No 13.
- 9. SEN, A. (1999), Development as Freedom, Oxford University Press. Chapter 4.
- 10. SEN, A. K. (2009), The Idea of Justice, Chapter 12, London, Allen Lane.
- 11. United Nations (2003). Indicators for Monitoring the Millennium Development Goals, New York: United Nations.
- 12. United Nations (2008). The Millennium Development Goals Report 2008. New York: United Nations.

# **Topic: Overview of MD Poverty Methods**

**Session:** Monday 8 July, 15:30-17:30

Instructors: Sabina Alkire, Paola Ballon, Maria Emma Santos

#### **Contents**

- Brief introduction to different approaches used to measure poverty in a multidimensional way.
- The counting approach as a method for identifying the poor.
- Salient implementations of the counting approach to measure poverty over time. Their use in policy.

#### **Reading List**

- 1. ATKINSON, A. B. (2003). Multidimensional deprivation: contrasting social welfare and counting approaches. *Journal of Economic Inequality* 1, 51-65.
- 2. ALKIRE, S., BALLON, P., FOSTER, J. E., ROCHE, J. M., SANTOS, M. E. and SETH, S. (forthcoming) "Counting Approaches", Draft of section from Chapter 3 from forthcoming book on Multidimensional Poverty Measurement and Analysis.

#### **Topic: Introduction to the Capability Approach**

Session: Tuesday 9 July, 09:00-10:30

Instructor: Sabina Alkire

#### **Contents:**

History and Motivation

- Capabilities
- Functionings
- Agency
- Implications for economics
- Issues for measurement

#### **Reading List:**

- 1. ALKIRE, S. (2005) Capabilities and Functionings: Definition and Justification. http://hdca.org/pubs/HDCA Briefing Concepts.pdf
- 2. ALKIRE, S. and S. DENEULIN (2009), "The Human Development and Capability Approach" in DENEULIN, S. and L. SHAHANI (eds) An Introduction to Human Development and Capability Approach, draft chapters. Chapter 2. http://www.idrc.ca/en/ev-146685-201-1-DO\_TOPIC.html
- 3. SEN, A. (1989), "Development as Capability Expansion" In S. FUKUDA-PARR and A.K. SHIVA KUMAR, Readings in Human Development, Oxford University Press (2003).
- 4. SEN, A. (1999), Development as Freedom, Oxford University Press. Chapters 1-3.

- 1. ALKIRE, S. (2005), "Why the Capability Approach?" Journal of Human Development 6:115-133.
- 2. ALKIRE, S. (2007), "Measuring freedoms alongside well-being", in GOUGH, I. and J. A. MCGREGOR (eds.) Well-being in developing countries: new approaches and research strategies. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- 3. ATKINSON, A.B. (2003), "Multidimensional Deprivation: Contrasting Social Welfare and Counting Approaches." Journal of Economic Inequality. 1:1 from p 51. (This article identifies the problem of aggregating multiple attributes, and some of the methods in use to address them).
- 4. KUKLYS, W. (2005): Amartya Sen's Capability Approach: Theoretical Insights and Empirical Applications. Berlin: Springer.
- 5. NARAYAN, D, CHAMBERS, R., SHAH, M.K. and P. PETESCH (2000), Voices of the poor: Crying out for change. New York: Oxford University Press for the World Bank. (This influential study tries to synthesise participatory poverty assessments in order to identify the dimensions of "ill-being" and of "well-being" that emerge across contexts).
- 6. ROBEYNS, I. (2003), "Sen's capability approach and gender Inequality: Selecting Relevant Capabilities." Feminist Economics. 9:61-92. (This more philosophical article argues that, to select capabilities (or dimensions), we need to observe four procedural criteria.)
- 7. ROBEYNS, I. (2005), "The Capability Approach: a theoretical survey." Journal of Human Development 6:93-114.
- 8. RUGGERI-LADERCHI, C., SAITH, R. and F. STEWART (2003), "Does it Matter that we do not agree on the definition of poverty? A Comparison of Four Approaches." Oxford Journal of Development Studies. 31:3 243-

- 274. (This paper compares monetary poverty, capability, social exclusion, and participatory measures of poverty).
- 9. SEN, A. (1985), 'Well-Being Agency and Freedom: The Dewey Lectures 1984', Journal of Philosophy 82(4): 169–221.
- 10. SEN, A. (1992), Inequality Re-Examined, Oxford: Clarendon Press
- 11. SEN, A. (1993), 'Capability and Well-being' in A. SEN and M. NUSSBAUM, The Quality of Life, Clarendon Press.
- 12. SEN, A. K. (2004), 'Capabilities, Lists, and Public Reason: Continuing the Conversation', Feminist Economics, 10:3. (In this rather thunderous short piece, Sen defends his decision not to adopt 'one' list of capabilities).
- 13. SEN, A. K. (2009), The Idea of Justice, Chapter 11, London, Allen Lane.
- 14. THORBECKE, E. (2008), "Multidimensional Poverty: Conceptual and Measurement Issues." in edited by KAKWANI, N. and J. SILBER (eds.), The Many Dimensions of Poverty. New York: Palgrave MacMillan.

#### Topic: Properties of Multidimensional (MD) Poverty

**Session:** Tuesday 9 July, 11:00-12:30

Instructor: Suman Seth

#### **Contents:**

- Properties of multidimensional poverty measures that are natural extensions of the unidimensional framework.
- Properties specific to multidimensional measures.
- Multidimensional poverty measures: issues of identification and aggregation.
- Multidimensional Poverty Measures

#### **Reading List:**

- 1. ALKIRE, S. and J.E. FOSTER. (2007): "Counting and Multidimensional Poverty Measurement", Working Paper No 7 and No 32 (revised), Oxford Poverty and Human Development Initiative, <a href="http://www.ophi.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/OPHI-wp32.pdf">http://www.ophi.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/OPHI-wp32.pdf</a>. Also note the version in Spanish: "Recuento y Medicion Multidimensional de la Pobreza", <a href="http://www.ophi.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/ophi-wp7-es.pdf">http://www.ophi.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/ophi-wp7-es.pdf</a>
- 2. BOURGUIGNON, F. and S. CHAKRAVARTY. (2003): "The Measurement of Multidimensional Poverty", Journal of Economic Inequality. 1: 25-19.

- 1. ATKINSON, A. B. (2003): "Multidimensional Deprivation: Contrasting Social Welfare and Counting Approaches", Journal of Economic Inequality. 1: 51-65.
- 2. BRANDOLINI, A., and G. D'ALESSIO (1998). "Measuring Well-being in the Functioning Space". Mimeo. Rome. Banco d'Italia Research Department.
- 3. CHAKRAVARTY, S.R., D'AMBROSIO, A., 2006, The Measurement of Social Exclusion. Review of Income and Wealth. 523, 377-398.
- 4. CHAKRAVARTY, S. R. and SILBER, J. (2008). Measuring Multidimensional Poverty: The Axiomatic Approach in Kakwani, N. and Silber, J. (eds), *Quantitative Approaches to Multidimensional Poverty Measurement*. UNDP. Palgrave Macmillan. New York.
- 5. DEUTSCH, J., and J. SILBER (2005): "Measuring Multidimensional Poverty: An Empirical Comparison of Various Approaches", The Review of Income and Wealth, 51, 145-174
- 6. GORDON, D., S. NANDY, C. PANTAZIS, S. PEMBERTON, and P. TOWNSEND (2003): "The Distribution of Child Poverty in the Developing World", Bristol: Centre for International Poverty Research.
- 7. KOLM, S. C. (1977): "Multidimensional Egalitarianism", Quarterly Journal of Economics, 91, 1-13.
- 8. MAASOUMI, E., and M. A. LUGO (2008): "The Information Basis of Multivariate Poverty Assessments", in Quantitative Approaches to Multidimensional Poverty Measurement, ed. by N. Kakwani, and J. Silber. New York: Palgrave-MacMillan, 1-29.
- 9. THORBECKE, E. (2008): "Multidimensional Poverty: Conceptual and Measurement Issues", in The Many Dimensions of Poverty ed. By N. Kakwani, and J. Silber. New York: Palgrave MacMillan.
- 10. TSUI, K. (2002): "Multidimensional Poverty Indices", Social Choice and Welfare. 19: 69-93.

#### Topic: Alkire Foster (AF) Methodology and MD Poverty Measure

**Session:** Tuesday 9 July 13:30-15:30 (theory) 15:30-17:30 (Paper Exercise) 10 July 09:00-10:30 (Paper Exercise) **Instructor:** James Foster, Sabina Alkire, Maria Emma Santos, Ana Vaz

#### **Contents:**

- Key literature on multidimensional poverty measures
- The steps of identification and aggregation in Alkire Foster method
- The importance of a joint distribution vs. a marginal distribution

#### **Reading List:**

- 1. ALKIRE, S. (2008) "Choosing dimensions: The capability approach and multidimensional poverty." In The Many Dimensions of Poverty, eds., N. Kakwani and J. Silber. Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan.
- 2. ALKIRE, S. and S. DENEULIN (2009). "The Human Development and Capability Approach." In An Introduction to the Human Development and Capability Approach: Freedom and Agency, eds., S. Deneulin and L. Shahani. London: Earthscan.
- 3. ALKIRE, S., and J.E. FOSTER (2011). "Counting and Multidimensional Poverty Measurement." Journal of Public Economics. 95(7-8): 476-487.
- 4. ALKIRE, S., and J.E. FOSTER(2011). "Understandings and Misunderstandings of Multidimensional Poverty Measurement." Journal of Economic Inequality. 9(2):289-314.
- 5. ALKIRE, S., and M.E. SANTOS. 2010. "Acute Multidimensional Poverty: A New Index for Developing Countries." Background paper for the 2010 Human Development Report. UNDP (United Nations Development Programme).
- 6. ALKIRE, S., M.E SANTOS, S. SETH and G. YALONETZKY. 2010. "Is the Multidimensional Poverty Index robust to different weights?" OPHI Research in Progress Paper 22a.
- 7. ALKIRE, S. and M. E. SANTOS (2011), "Training Material for Producing National Human Development Reports" http://www.ophi.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/MPI-Primer1.pdf.
- 8. SEN, A, K. 1999. Development as Freedom. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- 9. UNDP (United Nations Development Programme). 2010. Human Development Report 2010. The Real Wealth of Nations: Pathways to Human Development. UNDP, New York.
- 10. YALONETZKY, G. 2011. "A note on the standard errors of the members of the Alkire Foster family and its components", OPHI RP. No 25.

#### **Topic: Normative Issues in Multidimensional Poverty Measurement**

Session: Wednesday 10 July, 11:00-12:30

Instructor: Sabina Alkire

#### **Contents:**

- Choice of the unit of analysis
- Order of aggregation
- Choice of dimensions
- Choice of variables/indicators for dimensions
- Choice of poverty lines
- Choice of weights
- Choice of identification criterion & aggregate measures

#### **Reading List:**

- 1. ALKIRE, S. and M. E. SANTOS (2009), "Poverty and Inequality Measurement", in DENEULIN, S. and SHAHANI, L. An Introduction to the Human Development and Capability Approach, Chapter 6. London, Earthscan.http://www.idrc.ca/en/ev-146721-201-1-DO TOPIC.html
- 2. ALKIRE, S. (2002), "Dimensions of Human Development" World Development 30: 181-205. (This article surveys the 'lists' of dimensions of human development that have been proposed on the basis of participatory planning or research, philosophy, synthesis of existing literature, cross-cultural psychology, psychology of human development, and so on).
- 3. ALKIRE, S. (2007), "Choosing Dimensions: The Capability Approach and Multidimensional Poverty." (This paper observes how researchers have, in practice, selected dimensions of poverty, and finds they generally use one of five methods).
- 4. DECANCQ, K. and M. A. LUGO (2008), "Setting weights in multidimensional indices of well-being". <a href="http://www.ophi.org.uk/pubs/W1.Decancq-Lugo.pdf.pdf">http://www.ophi.org.uk/pubs/W1.Decancq-Lugo.pdf.pdf</a> and the references therein.
- 5. FOSTER, J. E. (1998) "Absolute versus Relative Poverty" American Economic Review, Papers and Proceedings. 88: 335-341.
- 6. RAVALLION, M. and S. CHEN (2009), "Weakly Relative Poverty" Policy Research Working Paper 4844, World Bank, <a href="http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\_id=1348985">http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\_id=1348985</a>

#### **Further readings:**

#### On the choice of dimensions:

- 1. GRUSKY, D. and R. KANBUR (eds) (2006). Poverty and Inequality. Stanford: Stanford University Press. "Introduction" (p 1-29). (Kanbur's introduction situates the rise of multidimensional poverty and inequality within economics from 1970 on, and identifies standing questions including how to choose dimensions. Grusky then introduces sociological approaches to multidimensional poverty, outlining their relation to previous research over the last 50 years).
- 2. MCGILLIVRAY, M. (1991), "The Human Development Index: yet another redundant composite development Indicator?", World Development, 1461-68
- 3. MCGILLIVRAY, M. (ed.) (2007), Understanding Well-Being: Concept and Measurement, Palgrave Macmillan, Basingstoke.

- 4. RANIS, G., F. STEWART, and E SAMMAN. (2006). "Human Development: Beyond the Human Development Index." Journal of Human Development 7(3): 323-358. (This paper draws on various approaches to well-being, proposes eleven categories of human development, and identifies and examines certain indicators).
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#### **Topic: Case Studies**

Session: Wednesday 10 July, 13:30-15:00 (International MPI) 15:30-17:30 (Colombia)

Instructors: Sabina Alkire, José Manuel Roche, Maria Emma Santos

#### **Contents:**

• An introduction to the choices and limitations behind the international comparable MPI and the many types of possible analyses.

An overview of two national A&F measures in Mexico and Colombia.

#### **Reading List:**

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# **Topic: Exam**

**Session:** Thursday 11 July, 09:00-10:30

Instructor: Mauricio Apablaza

# **Contents:**

- Unidimensional Poverty Measurement
- Introduction to the Capability Approach
- Why Multidimensional (MD) Poverty Measures?
- Properties of MD Poverty
- Alkire Foster (AF) Methodology and MD Poverty Measure
- Normative Issues in MD Poverty Measurement

#### Topic: Survey Design, Bias Analysis, Missing Values and Sample Drop

Session: Thursday 11 July, 13:30-15:00

Instructor: Jose Manuel Roche

#### **Contents:**

An overview of common data issues related to the use of Household Surveys for

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#### **Reading List:**

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# **Topic: Stata Lab & Descriptive Statistics**

**Session:** Thursday 11 July, 15:30-17:00

Instructor: Mauricio Apablaza

#### **Contents:**

Review of STATA

- Descriptive Statistics (ategorical and continuous variables)
- Generating variables using loops
- The structure of the AF do file

#### **Reading List:**

- 1. CAMERON A.C. and P.K. TRIVEDI. "Microeconometrics using STATA" Revised Edition (2010) Stata Press, 706 pages. Chapter 1-2
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# **Useful resource:**

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- 2. UCLA Academic Technology Services available at www.ats.ucla.edu/stat/stata
- 3. Prof. Cameron's webpage at the University of Davis, available at cameron.econ.ucdavis.edu/stata/stata.html

# **Topic: Measures of Association**

**Session:** Saturday 13 July, 09:00-10:30

Instructor: Paola Ballon

#### **Contents:**

#### Contents:

- Measuring association in contingency tables: local, and global odds ratios
- Non-model based analysis of ordinal association: concordance and discordance measures of association, gamma, Kendall-tau.
  - Introduction to redundancy: Principles of EFA

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# Topic: Sub Index Scales Validation (Principal Components & Factor Analyses)

**Session:** Saturday 13 July, 11:00-12:30

Instructor: Jose Manuel Roche

#### Contents:

- Data reduction with Principal Component Analysis
- Exploratory Factor Analysis, measurement error and scale construction
- Hypothesis testing with Confirmatory Factor Analysis
- Introduction to other related techniques: Multiple Correspondence Analysis, Cluster Analysis and Structure Equation Modelling
- Reviewing the strengths and weaknesses

#### **Reading List:**

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- 2. CHIAPPERO-MARTINETTI, E. and J. M. ROCHE (2009) "Operationalization of the capability approach, from theory to practice: a review of techniques and empirical applications" in CHIAPPERO-MARTINETTI, E. (Ed.) *Debating Global Society: Reach and Limits of the Capability Approach*. Milan, Fondazione Feltrinelli.
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#### Topic: Aggregated Results, Decomposition by Subgroup, Dimensional Breakdown

**Session:** Monday 15 July, 11:00-12:30 (Aggregated Results) 13:30-15:00 (Decomposition by Subgroup and Dimensional Breakdown)

Instructors: Mauricio Apablaza, Jose Manuel Roche, Suman Seth

#### **Contents:**

- Decompositions by population subgroups
- Breaks-down by dimension
- Analysis of trends in AF Measure

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#### Topic: Sensitivity, Robustness Analysis and Standard Error

**Session:** Tuesday 16 July, 13:30-15:00 **Instructor:** Suman Seth, Paola Ballón

#### **Contents:**

• Unidimensional versus multidimensional dominance.

• Application of Stochastic Dominance in Alkire-Foster context

Computation of standard errors of point estimates.

Rank robustness; Spearman, and Good & Kruskal's correlation coefficients and Rank concordance.

Robustness of point estimates with respect to the selection of weights, poverty cut-off and deprivation cut-offs

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#### **Topic: Missing Dimensions of Household Surveys on Poverty**

**Session:** Tuesday 16 July, 15:30-17:00 **Instructor:** Diego Zavaleta, Sabina Alkire

#### **Contents:**

- Informational Analysis of moral principles
- Review the choice of dimensions
- The problem of 'missing data'
- Four survey instruments producing most MDG-type data
- Various search engines and initiatives to improve data
- Characteristics of internationally comparable data
- OPHI's Missing Dimensions: Employment, Empowerment, Safety from Violence, Ability to go about without Shame, Psychological and Subjective well-being

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#### **Topic: Inequality in Poverty**

**Session:** Wednesday 17 July, 09:00-10:30 **Instructor:** James Foster, Suman Seth

#### Contents:

- An inequality sensitive poverty index or a separate inequality measure?
- Which Inequality measure?
- Capturing inequality across the Poor
- Capturing disparity in poverty across population subgroups

#### **Reading List:**

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#### **Topic: Time Series & Chronicity**

**Session:** Wednesday 17 July, 11:00-12:30 **Instructor:** Jose Manuel Roche, Sabina Alkire

#### **Contents:**

• Time decompositions for panel datasets introducing transitional probabilities.

- Empirical examples in both cross section and panel data.
- Remarks on time comparability in cross section data

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#### **Topic: Regression Analysis**

**Session:** Wednesday 17 July, 13:30-15:00

Instructor: Paola Ballon

#### **Contents:**

Introduction to generalised linear models.

- Regression models for indicators of deprivation: Poisson models for count data.
- Regression models for MPI by district: linear regression
- Introduction to Structural Equation Modelling: MIMIC models for female empowerment

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# **Topic: Clarifying Concepts and Communicating your Results**

Session: Thursday 18 July, 09:00-10:30 Instructor: Sabina Alkire, Maria Emma Santos							
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Further readings:							

# Session: Thursday 18 July, 13:30-15:00 Instructor: Sabina Alkire Contents: Practical and policy considerations in implementing multidimensional poverty measures Political purposes – users and incentives created Process of developing a measure – how it will be used? Who will have interest in using it? • How measures will be updated? What institutions will be involved? Reading List: Further readings: