Call for Applications

Summer School on “The Demography of Health and Education”
in conjunction with the REVES 2016 Meeting in Vienna 6th June – 15th June 2016.
Deadline for applications: 15th March 2016
Organized by the Wittgenstein Centre for Demography and Global Human Capital
(IASA, VID/ÖAW, WU) at the Vienna University of Economics and Business (WU)
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In the context of rapid population ageing in Europe and East Asia, increasing attention is given to significant challenges arising in terms of health differentials by age, sex, and level of education impacting future health care and funding requirements. This very timely topic lies right at the intersection of research in demography, public health, health economics and human capital analysis.

The purpose of the summer school is to acquaint 20 international students at the pre-doc level with the newest research on health and disability in the context of population ageing and familiarize them with the multi-dimensional methods for modelling population and human capital dynamics in a global perspective.

The REVES Meeting 2016 (http://www.reves2016.at/) aims at developing a comprehensive picture of the factors decisive for human health and longevity. Papers will identify the key drivers of longer and healthier lives by explaining variations in various dimensions of health and in mortality. This includes the analysis of hitherto unexplained phenomena and paradoxes of health and longevity.

The Summer School will be held around the REVES Meeting with all selected participants also taking part in the meeting. The network on health expectancy and the disability process / Réseau Espérance de Vie en Santé REVES is an international organization that was set up in 1989 (http://reves.site.ined.fr/en/home). Prominent international participants of the meeting (Eileen Crimmins, Carol Jagger, Mark D. Hayward, Jean-Marie Robine, Yasuhiko Saito) will stay in Vienna for 1-2 more days and serve as lecturers for the Summer School in the two days preceding the conference and the three days following it. In addition, senior scientists (Wolfgang Lutz, Jesus Crespo Cuaresma, Alexia Fürnkranz-Prskawetz, Marc Luy, Warren Sanderson, Sergei Scherbov and others from the Wittgenstein Centre for Demography and Global Human Capital (The World Population Program of the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis – IASA, the Vienna Institute of Demography of the Austrian Academy of Sciences – VID/ÖAW, and the Demography Group of the Vienna University of Economics and Business – WU) will give lectures on topics ranging from “redefining age and ageing” to “demographic methods of modelling educational attainment and human capital formation”.

How to apply
* Students at the pre-doc level are invited to apply with a motivation letter (max. 1 page) and their CV.
* Two persons should be named who can potentially serve as referees.
* There are 20 places on the course. The main selection criterion is the quality of the application.
* The list of participants will be announced by 15th April 2016.
* Please send your application to Heike Barakat (heike.barakat@wu.ac.at).

Funding can be provided for selected participants. Please, indicate whether funding is needed and, if this is the case, please send an estimate of travel costs and accommodation.

Quick Facts
Summer School on “The Demography of Health and Education”
Date: 06.06.-15.06.2016
Location: Vienna University of Economics and Business, Vienna
Application deadline: 15.03.2016
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