

2nd COORDINATE Summer School

Analysis of Data from the National Educational Panel Study

July 10-14, 2023 | LifBi Bamberg, Germany

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

The second COORDINATE Summer School takes place from July 10-14, 2023 at the Leibniz Institute for Educational Trajectories (LifBi) in the World Heritage Town of Bamberg, Germany. It is open to any researcher working in EU Member States and Associated Countries. Attendees will get to know one of the most important panel data collections on educational and work trajectories, develop and advance their own research questions, and network with others who have similar research interests.

→ <https://www.lifbi.de/LifBi-Home>

Data Platform

Data basis is the German **National Educational Panel Study (NEPS)**, one of the largest social science surveys in the field of educational research. The NEPS follows a multicohort sequence design with six starting cohorts—newborns, kindergarten children, fifth graders, ninth graders, first-year students in higher education, adults—that were sampled through 2009 to 2012. Panel participants are regularly interviewed and tested over a period of more than ten years now. Relevant context persons such as parents, teachers or preschool staff are also included in the survey. Primary topics are (1) competence development, (2) learning environments, (3) social inequality and educational decisions, (4) migration background, (5) returns to education including satisfaction and wellbeing, (6) personality and motivation. Detailed biographical information complements the range of data.

→ <https://www.neps-data.de/Mainpage>

Objectives

The summer school is an opportunity to learn and apply specific methods of analyzing the NEPS panel data. Participants will get a comprehensive introduction into the framework of the study, the available Scientific Use Files and the data documentation. They will be familiarized with basic and advanced skills of preparing the complex data for own analyses. In the main part, two key NEPS research areas are offered to choose from: (a) methods for covariate-adjusted group comparisons in the context of competency data analysis or (b) methods for the analysis of fine-grained event/life history data including relevant steps of episode and competence data processing. Lectures as well as guided hands-on sessions are provided by data scientists and researchers from the LifBi.

→ <https://www.neps-data.de/coordinate-summerschool2023>

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Eligibility and Application Process

A total of 30 participants will be selected based on research experience, scientific competence and analytical interest. Bursaries are available for up to 20 researchers working in EU Member States (except Germany) or Associated Countries (max 1,500 EUR each). Interested persons from German and Non-EU research institutes may apply but will have to cover their own accommodation and travel costs (max of 10 researchers).

We welcome researchers from any stage of their academic career. Experience in working with the NEPS data is not a prerequisite for attending the summer school. However, it is recommended to have advanced knowledge in multivariate analysis techniques.

Submission Please send the following information in English by e-mail to the contact below:

- Short Curriculum Vita including full contact details (max 1 page)
- Summary of relevant research experience including a short assessment of own skills regarding statistical software packages (max ½ page)
- Brief description of specific research interests related to the NEPS data including preference for the group comparison analysis or the event/life-history data analysis part (max ½ page)

Deadline: Applications must be received by **April 16, 2023**. Successful applicants will be informed by April 30, 2023.

Venue: LifBi | Wilhelmsplatz 3 | 96047 Bamberg | Germany

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The Horizon 2020 project "COhort cOMmunity Research and Development Infrastructure Network for Access Throughout Europe" (COORDINATE) aims to increase the visibility and use of data regarding the wellbeing of children and adolescents in Europe. Three summer schools promote cohort panel survey research in Europe by facilitating researchers' access to relevant data platforms and teaching appropriate analytical approaches.

→ <https://www.coordinate-network.eu>



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