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Second International Workshop on Life Course Analysis — Theory, Methods, and Applications

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Monday, 17 August – Multistate Life Course Methods Course

09:00–10:30	Introduction
10:30–11:00	Break
11:00–12:30	Estimation
12:30–14:00	Lunch Break
14:00–15:30	Implementation in R
15:30–16:00	Break
16:00–17:00	Exercises

Tuesday, 18 August – Day 1, Life Course Analysis Workshop

09:00–09:30	Arrival & morning coffee
09:35–09:45	Welcome & Introduction
09:45–11:00	Session A: Education, Stratification & Inequality <i>Chair: Michaela Kreyenfeld</i> Samuel Agyapong <i>Cumulative Disadvantage and Diverging Educational Pathways: A Life Course Analysis from Ghana</i> Gijs Westra <i>Life Course Stratification in Space and Time: Opportunity Structures and the Reproduction of Inequality</i> Francesca Mele <i>School (Dis)engagement and Socioeconomic Marginalization</i>
11:00–11:45	Coffee Break
11:45–13:00	Session B: Health Trajectories & Care Needs <i>Chair: Norma Sarahi Resendez Chavez</i> Josephine Jackisch <i>Heterogenous Risks for Ill-Health, Family Breakdown and Income After Unemployment in Times of Crisis</i> Songyun Shi <i>How Employment Histories Shape Mental Health Trajectories in Later Life: The Role of Migration Background</i> Jihye Lee <i>Life Course Transitions and the Dynamics of Care Needs: A Microsimulation Approach to Population and Household Change</i>
13:00–14:15	Lunch Break

14:15–15:30	<p>Session C: Applied Life Course Research <i>Chair: Josephine Jackisch</i></p> <p>Giorgio Nocerino <i>Transition into Adulthood and Social Media Use: A Life-Course Approach</i></p> <p>Elias Hofmann <i>Stuck With Each Other? Unrealized Moving Desires, Changes in Life Satisfaction, and the Role of Partnerships</i></p> <p>Zita Brazzola <i>From Life-Course Theory to Applied Modelling: Three Demographic Applications in Housing, Consumption, and Health</i></p>
15:30–15:45	<i>Press photo</i>
15:45–16:15	Coffee Break
16:15–17:30	<p>Keynote by Ariane Bertogg <i>Chair: Christian Dudel</i> <i>Understanding Cognitive Ageing Through a Life Course Lens: Theoretical Mechanisms and Empirical Insights</i></p>
19:00	<p>Conference Dinner at Schleusenkrug (need to preregister via LifeCourse@demogr.mpg.de)</p>

Wednesday, 19 August – Day 2, Life Course Analysis Workshop

09:15–09:45	Morning coffee
09:45–11:15	<p>Session D Family Formation, Fertility & Gender <i>Chair: Carla Rowold</i></p> <p>Thiago Cordeiro Almeida <i>Gendered Patterns of Childlessness Across Educational Levels in Low and Very Low Fertility countries</i></p> <p>Flora Zhou <i>Mapping the Uncharted: Life Course Trajectories of Transgender and Gender Diverse People in the Netherlands</i></p> <p>Mari Amdahl Heglum <i>Gendered Life Courses under Reform: Family Policy Expansions and Young Adults' Work-Family Interdependence in Norway (1993–2017)</i></p> <p>Mengyao Wu <i>Partnership and Fertility Trajectories of Immigrant Women during Migration to Spain: A Comparison by Country of Origin</i></p>
11:15–11:45	Coffee Break
11:45–13:00	<p>Session E: Methods & Modelling <i>Chair: Deike Janssen</i></p> <p>Maximilian Reichert <i>Describing Accumulation and Depletion of Contextual Resources During Childhood by Analysing Vector Embeddings of Multidimensional Life Course Sequences</i></p> <p>Sascha dos Santos <i>Stability and Turning Points in Life Course Trajectories: The Example of Wealth</i></p> <p>Linda Vecgaile <i>When and What Matters in the Late-Career Path to Predict Poverty? A Diagnostic Sequence Approach Using Transformers</i></p>
13:00–14:15	Lunch Break

14:15–15:30	<p>Session F: Ageing, Retirement & Later-Life Well-Being <i>Chair: Jan Einhoff</i></p> <p>Nabaraj Adhikari <i>Beginning of Old Age: Examining the De-Standardisation of the Life Course from the Perspective of Employees and the Self-Employed in Finland and Italy</i></p> <p>Fabian Kalleitner <i>From Mixed Findings to Precise Estimates: The Effect of Retirement on Life Satisfaction</i></p> <p>Maël Lecoursonnais <i>Trajectories of Adulthood Adversity and Later-Life Outcomes: A Population-Based Study</i></p>
15:30–16:00	Coffee Break
16:00–16:50	<p>Session G: Wealth, Transfers & Intergenerational Dynamics <i>Chair: Songyun Shi</i></p> <p>Alisa Jashari <i>It Takes a Lifetime: Life-Course Trajectories and the Patterning of Intergenerational Transfers</i></p> <p>Veronika Sofia Corradi-Eiger <i>Visible Transitions, Invisible States: How Life Course Dynamics Shape Access to Parental Support for Adult Children</i></p>
16:50–17:00	Closing Remarks

Venue & Getting There

Hertie School Berlin | Friedrichstraße 180, 10117 Berlin, Germany

Room: Forum A (first floor)

Metro: Stadtmitte (U2, U6) or Unter den Linden (U5, U6)

Remote audience

The workshop will also be accessible online for remote audiences. The link to join the workshop online will be made available [here](#).