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CALL FOR APPLICATIONS



2011 ATUS-X WORKSHOP

Deadline for Applications : March 1, 2011

June 20-22, 2011 University of Maryland

Workshop Plans

Applications are solicited for a three-day workshop that will introduce researchers to the American Time Use Survey (ATUS) and the ATUS Data Extract Builder (ATUS-X). The ATUS is a general-purpose time use survey sponsored by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS). The survey has been conducted annually since 2003. The ATUS-X, developed by the Maryland Population Research Center and the Minnesota Population Center with principal funding from the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, is a new tool designed to make it easy for researchers to create time use variables and extract customized ATUS data files that are ready for analysis. Additional information about the survey and the data extract builder may be found at: www.atusdata.org.

The ATUS-X Workshop will be held on the University of Maryland campus June 20-22, 2011. The workshop is designed for researchers who are new to the analysis of time use data. The three days will include presentations from BLS staff members, the research team that developed the ATUS-X, and other experienced time use researchers; lab sessions that will provide hands-on experience with using the ATUS-X; and small-group sessions at which participants will have the chance to discuss their own time use research ideas with others who have similar interests. Workshop participants also will have the opportunity to attend the International Perspectives on Time Use conference that will take place immediately following the workshop, on June 23-24, 2011.

Applications

Applicants are asked to submit information about their professional backgrounds; a short statement regarding their time use research interest areas; and a letter of support from an advisor or senior colleague. The ATUS-X workshop application form can be found at: www.atusdata.org/2011_workshop.shtml. References identified on the application form will be sent a link by email for submitting their letter of support. Applications will not be considered complete until the letter of support has been received.

For best consideration applications should be submitted by March 1, 2011; those completing their application by this date will be notified by March 15, 2011 whether they have been selected to participate. Domestic air fares, local transportation costs and hotel accommodations for the ATUS-X workshop on June 20-22 and the research conference on June 23-24 will be covered for all workshop participants.

Additional information about the International Perspectives on Time Use conference, to be held June 23-24, immediately following the ATUS-X Workshop, can be found at: www.popcenter.umd.edu/research/sponsored-events/ timeuse-2011

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