

World Bank Labor Market Core Course



Creating Jobs in a Post-Crisis World: World Bank Labor Market Policy Core Course

March 28 to April 8, 2011 – Washington D.C.

Objective

“Creating Jobs in a Post-Crisis World. Labor Market Policy” is a two week course offering a unique learning experience on how employment is being transformed in today's post-crisis and rapidly changing environment. The course identifies key labor market challenges within the context of overall poverty reduction and other economic and social development goals, and explores what policy makers and others can do about them. It builds on the latest research findings by the World Bank and other academic and research institutions, as well as on practical lessons learned from country experiences. The content of the course will focus specially on developing and transition countries. The course will feature parallel sessions, focusing separately on labor issues in low-income and middle income countries. This structure will allow a more in-depth exploration of the policy options for each setting. Participants will also have the opportunity to present and discuss challenging labor market issues in their own country, and work toward solutions with other participants and experts.

Course Description

The course adopts a mix of learning methods, including presentations based on the latest World Bank knowledge, case studies of country reforms, team-based exercises, role-play, and hands-on experience with the latest modeling tools. The course is taught by experts from the World Bank, top academic and research institutions, and other leading agencies. This course comprises five inter-related and complementary modules: (i) Understanding Labor Markets; (ii) Creating Jobs: Investment Climate and Skills Development; (iii) Balancing Flexibility and Security: Labor Market Institutions; (iv) Supporting Workers: Active and Passive Labor Market Policies; and (v) Labor Market Challenges.

Target Audience

The course is designed for senior policymakers, technical staff of government agencies, researchers from academic organizations, training institutions, trade unions, employer groups and NGOs involved with labor issues in client countries, as well as operational staff from the World Bank and from bilateral and multilateral donor agencies. The content of the course will be of interest not only to Labor Ministries but also to those with responsibility for economic policy, industry and education. To build institutional capacity, we encourage interested countries to nominate a team of participants engaged in design, implementation and evaluation of labor policy and related programs.

Language

The course will be conducted entirely in English and therefore a good command of English is required.

Cost

The two-week course is offered at the subsidized rate of US\$2,500 per participant from World Bank client counterpart countries. For participants from international organizations, donor agencies and others, the fee is US\$3,500. The fee includes tuition, training materials, medical insurance and other conference costs. Participants will be responsible for their own transportation to and from Washington, D.C., as well as their hotel and subsistence costs. The World Bank is negotiating a group rate with hotels in the Washington area and participants may benefit from these rates on a first come first served basis.

Application and Contacts

Interested candidates should complete and return the attached application form online at www.worldbank.org/labormarkets/lmcc2011 or via email. Early application is strongly recommended since admission is competitive, space is limited, and the processing time for US visa applications has lengthened. Acceptance is provisional pending evidence of full financial sponsorship and approval by nominating or coordinating agency (if required).

Applications should be sent to Sophie Warlop, E-mail: swarlop@worldbank.org, tel: 1-202-473-7255; Fax: 1-202-522-3252 and copy Tanja Lohmann, E-mail: tlohmann@worldbank.org

Deadline for Application

Applications must be received no later than February 3, 2011.

How the course has been evaluated by participants?

The course has been evaluated independently by the evaluation unit of WBI, using several methods including a level 1 evaluation (based on participants' self-assessment and satisfaction), and a level 2 evaluation (through the pre- and post-test to assess actual learning gains from the course). The course received high marks and has been well appreciated by a varied audience that generally come from developing countries (60%), World Bank staff (15%) and staff from development agencies, donors and developed countries (25%).

The following are quotes from previous years' participants:

"Inspiring course with great applied example to which we could connect."

"Liked the balance of 'theoretical insights' and 'applied' issues."

"It was a great experience and a chance to meet wonderful people from around the world. This is the first time I attended a course that long since I graduated yet it was fun and a great learning process."

"Presenters are approachable, enhance interactivity and stimulate debates."

"Policy implications of findings are very useful to direct country work."

"Drawing on rich experience from different speakers from across the world, country specific illustrations and references in addition to informative content added much value to the learning."

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Application for Admission

Personal Information

Title: Dr. Ms. Mr.

Full Name: _____
First Middle Last

Sex: F M **Date of Birth:** _____ **Citizenship:** _____
Month/Day/Year

Mailing Address

Permanent mailing address: _____
City: Country: Street Name and Number Postal Code:

Work address: _____
City: Country: Street Name and Number Postal Code:

Communications

Office telephone: _____ **Fax No:** _____

Home telephone: _____ **E-mail address:** _____

Mobile/Cell Phone: _____

Emergency contact (name, relationship, phone, fax): _____

Application



Do you have access to the World Wide Web?

Yes

No

Employment History

Current employer:

Current position/Job title:

Please describe your current work and its relation to the Subject of the Course:

If you are involved in a reform program for the design or implementation of labor market policy in your country, please describe the reform under consideration and your role in it.

Please describe your reasons for applying to this course and your expectations:

Indicate the type of organization in which you work (check only one, please):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> U.N. or U.N. Specialized Agency | <input type="checkbox"/> Central Bank |
| <input type="checkbox"/> International/Regional or Multilateral Organization | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Financial Institution (i.e. Development Bank, etc.) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Office of President/Prime Minister | <input type="checkbox"/> Research Institution |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ministry | <input type="checkbox"/> University/Training Institution |
| <input type="checkbox"/> State-, Province, or Municipal-Level Government | <input type="checkbox"/> NGO or Other Non-Government Community Organization |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Enterprise or Central Government Agency | <input type="checkbox"/> Media |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Foundation | <input type="checkbox"/> Private Enterprise |
| <input type="checkbox"/> World Bank | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please list) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Labor Union | |

Education (do not list schools below University level)

Institution

Country

Degree/Major

Year

Language Proficiency

I certify that my written and spoken proficiency in the English language is:

Speaking:	Excellent	Very Good	Good	Weak
Writing:	Excellent	Very Good	Good	Weak

Payment Information (Required - The fee is US\$2,500 per participant from World Bank client counterpart countries, and US\$3,500 for participants from international organizations, donor agencies and others. The fee includes tuition, training materials, medical insurance and other conference costs. Participants are responsible for transportation, hotel and subsistence costs. Group hotel booking information and payment process information will be provided upon confirmation.)

Name of sponsoring organization: _____

Contact Person: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Fax: _____

E-mail: _____

Country Clearance

Important: Applicants are responsible for obtaining any clearances according to their own requirements and should obtain such clearance prior to submitting an application.

Name of coordinating agency (if applicable): _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Fax: _____

E-mail: _____

I certify that all the statements I have made on this application are true.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Email or fax this form and the supporting documents if possible by *February 3, 2011* to:

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