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N.i.D.S.
NATIONAL INCOME DYNAMICS STUDY

NIDS PANEL DATA COURSE

AN INTRODUCTION TO ANALYSING WAVES 1-4 USING STATA

UNIVERSITY OF CAPE TOWN

6 – 8 December 2017

This three-day training course is designed for people who are interested in using the National Income Dynamics Study (NIDS) panel data but have not yet done so. Participants should have prior experience using Stata to analyse cross-sectional household survey data. However, experience working with panel data is not necessary.

It is essential that participants have basic Stata skills and have used microdata in the past. For anyone transitioning from another package (e.g. SPSS, R or SAS) or in need of a quick refresher, SALDRU has an online introduction to Stata, available at <https://www.saldru.uct.ac.za/training/online-stata-course>

The course will cover the following topics:

- Accessing the NIDS data
- Merging within and across waves
- Attrition and sampling weights
- Data structure
- Creating analysis variables
- Creating and interpreting transition matrices

The course can accommodate 30 participants. There is an attendance fee of R7 000 which covers materials, instruction and lunch. Participants may apply for the course fee, airfare and accommodation to be covered by NIDS, although a limited number of scholarships have been secured for these purposes.

The course will run from **9am - 4:30pm each day**. Please do not apply to the course if you have other commitments which will require you to skip sessions.

To apply for the course, please fill out the [online application form](#). A link to the form is also available on the NIDS website, www.nids.uct.ac.za. Staff and post-graduate students at historically disadvantaged institutions are particularly encouraged to apply. When applying please indicate whether your attendance is conditional on financial assistance, and if so, of what sort. The deadline for applications is **26 October 2017**. We will let applicants know if they have been accepted by **1 November 2017**.

We expect participants to *confirm their attendance with receipt of attendance fee by 8 November 2017* at the latest.

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