

A Course on the Analytics and Policy Design of Migration

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School of Economics
De La Salle University
Manila, Philippines



Concept/Description:

International migration is one of the most exciting topics to explore in social science research. Why some people leave, why others stay, what are the repercussions of migration for the sending and the receiving economies, for the migrants themselves, and for their families, are themes that invite disciplined inquiry.

The main purpose of the Course is to induce participants to think rigorously, creatively, and in non-conventional ways on various approaches to the modeling of migration choices and consequences, and to demonstrate to the participants how such a thinking process could enrich the spectrum of informed migration policies. Participants will be exposed to the art of economic modeling in general, and to the workings of applied microeconomic theory in particular.

The core activity of the Course will be five lectures delivered by Professor Oded Stark. The topics to be covered will constitute a subset of migration-related topics researched by the lecturer, such as integration, migration, and assimilation as responses to relative deprivation; the long shadow of home country variables; migration under asymmetric information; migration, human capital formation, and economic growth; and migration, inequality, and social welfare. Sets of articles related to the lectures will be distributed to the participants.

Participants will be asked to submit an outline of a new paper related to the theme of the Course within three weeks of the completion of the Course.

Qualifications:

Participants should be holders of Ph.D. in Economics earned during 2011-2015, or be Economics Ph.D. students in fairly advanced stages of their degree.

Course Details:

Reading sessions will be held in the morning and 3-hour lectures will be held in the afternoon for five consecutive days. The cost of participation is USD500.00 and will cover course fees, course materials, and afternoon snacks.

Application Procedure:

Applicants are to submit their C.V. in pdf format as well as a sample article or chapter in their Ph.D. dissertation to Mariel Monica Sauler at mariel.sauler@dlsu.edu.ph by December 28, 2015. Successful applicants will be informed by January 4, 2016.

Oded Stark

Biographical Sketch

Oded Stark is Distinguished Fellow at the Center for Development Research, University of Bonn, Distinguished Professor at the University of Warsaw, an Adjunct Professor at the University of Tuebingen, and Distinguished Research Scholar at Georgetown University. He served as University Professor (Chair in Economic and Regional Policy) at the University of Klagenfurt and as Honorary University Professor of Economics at the University of Vienna, and prior to that as Professor of Economics (Chair in Development Economics) at the University of Oslo, and as Professor of Population and Economics and as the Director of the Migration and Development Program at Harvard University.

He has written on applied microeconomic theory, development economics, population economics, the economics of migration, labor economics, evolutionary economics, urban economics, regional economics, welfare economics, and the theory of the firm. He is the author of the critically acclaimed books *The Migration of Labor* (Oxford and Cambridge, MA: Blackwell 1991 and 1993), and *Altruism and Beyond, An Economic Analysis of Transfers and Exchanges Within Families and Groups* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press 1995 and 1999), and the co-editor of the *Handbook of Population and Family Economics* (in *Handbooks in Economics*; Amsterdam: North-Holland 1997). Oded Stark is Doctor honoris causa (University of Warsaw), a Humboldt Awardee, and a Presidential Professor of Economics (Poland).

Additional information is available at: <http://ostark.uni-klu.ac.at/>
