



Evaluating Social Programs Course Schedule 2008

May 27, 2008 – May 31, 2008

MIT, Room E51- 395

Tuesday, May 27

8:30 AM – 9:15 AM	Continental Breakfast
9:15 AM – 9:30 AM	Opening Remarks
9:30 AM – 11:00 AM	<u>Lecture 1: What is Evaluation?</u> Lecturer: Rachel Glennerster (MIT)
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Group Discussion and exercise: Case 1 (Get Out the Vote)
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM	Lunch
1:30 PM – 3:00 PM	<u>Lecture 2: Why Randomize?</u> Lecturer: Dan Levy (Harvard University)
3:00 PM – 5:30 PM	Group Project Work (choose topics for presentation)
5:30 PM – 6:00 PM	Read Case 2 (Balsakhi)

Wednesday, May 28

8:00 AM – 8:30 AM	Continental Breakfast
8.30 AM – 10.30 AM	Group Discussion of Case 2 (Balsakhi)
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM	<u>Lecture 3: How to Randomize? Part I</u> Lecturer: Greg Fischer (LSE)
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM	Lunch
1:30 PM – 3:00 PM	<u>Lecture 4: How to Randomize? Part II</u> Lecturer: Rachel Glennerster (MIT)
3:00 PM – 4:30 PM	Group Project Work
4:30 PM – 5:00 PM	Read Case 3 (Panchayats)
5:00 PM – 6:00 PM	Groups Discussion of Case 3 (Panchayats)
6:30 PM- 8:30 PM	Dinner at “The Elephant Walk” http://www.elephantwalk.com/

Thursday, May 29

8:00 AM – 8:30 AM	Continental Breakfast
8.30 AM – 10.30 AM	Exercise Case 3 (Panchayats)
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM	<u>Lecture 5: Measurement and Outcomes</u> Lecturer: Ben Olken (MIT)
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM	Lunch
1:30 PM – 3:00 PM	<u>Lecture 6: Sample Size and Data Management</u> Lecturer: Erica Field (Harvard University)
3:00 PM – 5:30 PM	Group Project Work
5:30 PM – 6:00 PM	Read Case 4 (Deworming)

Friday, May 30

8:00 AM – 8:30 AM	Continental Breakfast
8.30 AM – 10.30 AM	Group Discussion of Case 4 (Deworming)
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM	<u>Lecture 7: Managing Threats</u> Lecturer: Shawn Cole (Harvard University)
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Lunch
1:00 PM – 2:30 PM	<u>Lecture 8: Analyzing Data</u> Lecturer: Dean Karlan (Yale University)
2:30 PM – 6:00 PM	Finalize Group Project Presentation

Saturday, May 31

8:00 AM – 9:15 AM	Continental Breakfast
9:15 AM – 12:15 PM	Group Presentations Comments by: Abhijit Banerjee (MIT) Dean Karlan (Yale University) Rachel Glennerster (MIT)
12:15 PM – 1:30 PM	Lunch
1:30 PM – 3:30 PM	Group Presentations Comments by: Abhijit Banerjee (MIT) Dean Karlan (Yale University) Rachel Glennerster (MIT)
3:30 PM – 4:00 PM	Closing Remarks