



## **Evaluating Social Programs Course Schedule 2009**

May 24, 2010 – May 28, 2010  
MIT, Room E51-395

### **Monday, May 24**

8:00 AM – 9:00 AM	Continental Breakfast
9:00 AM – 9:15 AM	Opening Remarks
9:15 AM – 10:30 AM	<u>Lecture 1: What is Evaluation?</u> Lecturer: Rachel Glennerster (MIT)
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Case 1 (Women as Policy Makers): Group Discussion and exercise
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM	Lunch
1:30 PM – 3:00 PM	<u>Lecture 2: Outcomes, Indicators, and Measuring Impact</u> Lecturer: Marc Shotland (MIT)
3:30 PM – 6:00 PM	Group Project Work (choose topics for presentation)

### **Tuesday, May 25**

8:00 AM – 8:30 AM	Continental Breakfast
8:30 AM – 10:00 AM	Case 2 (Learn to Read Evaluations): Group Discussion and exercise
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM	<u>Lecture 3: Impact Evaluation – Why Randomize?</u> Lecturer: Dan Levy (Harvard University)
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM	Lunch
1:30 PM – 3:00 PM	<u>Lecture 4: How to Randomize?</u> Lecturer: Leigh Linden (Columbia University)
3:30 PM – 4:45 PM	Exercise 1: Mechanics of Randomization
3:30 PM – 5:00 PM	Case 3 (Extra Teacher Program): Group Discussion and exercise
5:00 PM – 5:30 PM	Group Project
5:45 PM – 8:30 PM	Dinner at “The Elephant Walk” <a href="http://www.elephantwalk.com/">http://www.elephantwalk.com/</a>

**Wednesday, May 26**

8:00 AM – 8:30 AM	Continental Breakfast
8:30 AM – 9:15 AM	Exercise 2: Random Sampling and Law of Large Numbers
9:30 AM – 12:00 PM	<u>Lecture 5: Sampling and Sample Size</u> Lecturer: Ben Olken (MIT)
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM	Lunch
1:30 PM – 3:00 PM	Exercise 3: Power Calculations, Sample Size
3:00 PM – 4:30 PM	<u>Lecture 6: Implementing an Evaluation</u> Lecturer: Shawn Cole (Harvard University)
5:00 PM – 6:00 PM	Group Project

**Thursday, May 27**

8:00 AM – 8:30 AM	Continental Breakfast
8:30 AM – 10:00 AM	Case 4 (Deworming in Kenya): Group Discussion and Exercise
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM	<u>Lecture 7: Analysis and Inference</u> Lecturer: Shawn Cole (Harvard University)
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM	Lunch
1:30 PM – 3:00 PM	<u>Lecture 8: Randomized Evaluation: Start-to-Finish</u> Lecturer: Nava Ashraf (Harvard University)
3:30 PM – 6:00 PM	Group Project: finalize presentation

**Friday, May 28**

8:00 AM – 9:00 AM	Continental Breakfast
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Group Presentations
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Lunch
1:00 PM – 3:00 PM	Group Presentations
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Course Wrap Up