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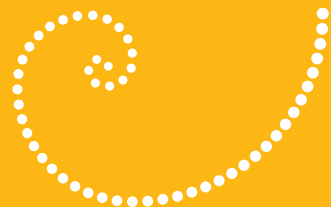
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FROM THE DIRECTORS

In 2019, the Human Capital and Economic Opportunity Global Working Group continued to expand our collaborations around the world. We demonstrated our commitment to training the next generation of scholars by awarding two dissertation prizes and by hosting three summer schools for Ph.D. students and one for undergraduates.

HCEO also hosted two conferences, a Health Inequality program on breastfeeding and the origins of health, and a Measurement, Interpretation, and Policy program on neighborhoods and social inequality. We also co-sponsored a new series on campus, Policy Forum, organized by HCEO Director James Heckman and Markets network member Lars Peter Hansen. These seminars addressed major public policy issues.

In addition to our programming, HCEO remains dedicated to disseminating members' academic findings to broader audiences. In 2019, HCEO produced 10 new Research Spotlights, which take top working papers and distill them into accessible articles. We are pleased to report the year's most engaging research spotlight featured "Motherhood and the Gender Productivity Gap," by MIP network member Yana Gallen. Looking ahead, HCEO is dedicated to fostering the spirit of new economic thinking through our ongoing work, and we look forward to continued growth in the years to come.



James J. Heckman Steven N. Durlauf Robert H. Dugger

UPCOMING & FEATURED EVENTS

Building Synergies Across Disciplines

HCEO achieves its mission through workshops, conferences, webinars, cross-institutional visits, partnerships, and annual summer schools. Since its inception in January 2011, HCEO has held 107 events in 13 countries. HCEO events have attracted over 3,245 participants. Here we list our upcoming events and highlight three recent events. More details, including videos and related materials, can be found on our website at hceconomics.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 29–July 3, 2020 🍷 HCEO-briq Summer School on Socioeconomic Inequality, Bonn, Germany

July 6–10, 2020 🍷 HCEO Summer School for Undergraduate Students, Guangzhou, China

July 13–17, 2020 🍷 Summer School on Socioeconomic Inequality, Chengdu, China

FEATURED RECENT EVENTS

November 8, 2019 🍷 Policy Forum: The Pension Crisis

Co-organized with the Macro Finance Research Program and the Center for the Economics of Human Development, this forum was intended to inform the debate on the state and local pension crisis, its dimensions, economic ramifications, and potential solutions. We addressed various issues including the scope and magnitude of the fiscal challenges, the role of property taxes and their implications for property values, the continued need to encourage new businesses while addressing the necessity for more revenue in the future, and a better understanding of the political environment and process that gave rise to the challenges faced in the city of Chicago, the state of Illinois, as well as in other states and municipalities around the country.

November 1–2, 2019 🍷 Neighborhoods, Segregation, and Social Inequality

The sorting of individuals into spatial and social contexts defines group memberships.

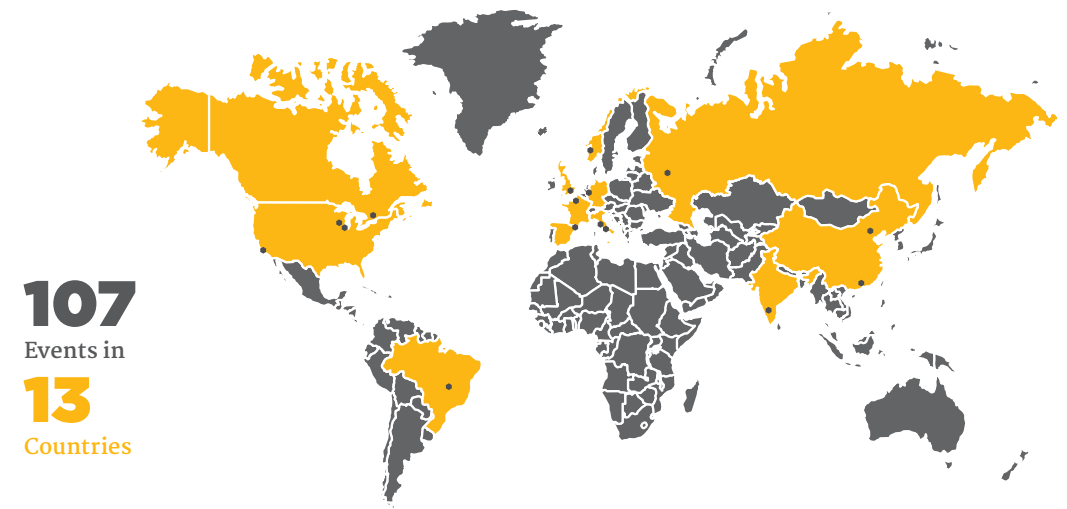
Memberships reveal pre-existing inequalities and produce new inequalities in their own right. This conference brought together leading economists and sociologists

who study how memberships and social interactions drive social inequality. Sessions paired economists and sociologists to discuss topics in segregation, neighborhood effects, social networks, and models of social interaction.

July 1–5, 2019 🍷 HCEO Summer School for Undergraduate Students, Guangzhou, China

HCEO and Jinan University hosted the Summer School on Socioeconomic Inequality and Best Paper Competition at Jinan University, an inaugural program for undergraduate students in China. During the summer school, six senior professors of economics from leading universities around the world gave introductory lectures on various economic topics to the participants. Students also had the opportunity to participate in the 2019 Best Paper Competition, where they presented their work before a panel of leading experts and received constructive feedback. The final award was announced at the end of the summer school.

EVENT LOCATIONS (2011 - 2019)



RECENT EVENTS

Explore our Event Resources Online

Event Title	Dates	Link	Resources
Dissertation Prize Lecture: Democracy Without Redistribution: The Sense of Injustice, Perceived Inequality, and Preferences for Redistribution	Nov 13, 2019	bit.ly/2NceSux	
Policy Forum: The Pension Crisis	Nov 8, 2019	bit.ly/2FBqByI	
Neighborhoods, Segregation, and Social Inequality	Nov 1-2, 2019	bit.ly/35DOLmT	
Dissertation Prize Lecture: General Equilibrium Theory and Empirical Analysis of Immigrants' Neighborhood Sorting and Social Integration	Oct 9, 2019	bit.ly/2toLSyY	
Summer School on Socioeconomic Inequality, Chengdu	Jul 15-19, 2019	bit.ly/39Wl1EU	
HCEO Summer School for Undergraduate Students, Guangzhou	Jul 1-5, 2019	bit.ly/304wIVC	
Summer School on Socioeconomic Inequality, Bergen	Jun. 24-28, 2019	bit.ly/2IbQo42	
Summer School on Socioeconomic Inequality, Moscow	Jun. 10-14, 2019	bit.ly/2KebbEG	
Genes, Schools, and Interventions That Address Educational Inequality	Dec. 13-14, 2018	bit.ly/2DCvjgA	
Measuring and Improving Health Equity	Dec 7-8, 2018	bit.ly/2KoDBPP	
Polygenic Prediction and its Application in the Social Sciences	Nov. 30-Dec. 1, 2018	bit.ly/2B2SXAq	
Social Interactions and Education	Nov. 9-10, 2018	bit.ly/2PRigxF	
Next Generation Data Sets for Measuring Child Development	Nov. 2-3, 2018	bit.ly/2DA1hKk	
Development Economics and Market Design	Oct. 28-29, 2018	bit.ly/2FIUIN9	
Dissertation Prize Lunch Lecture: Between-Personal Differences in Sensation-Seeking: Implications for Brain-Based Models of Adolescent Risk Taking	Oct. 18, 2018	bit.ly/2B2SU7y	

Dissertation Prize Lunch Lecture: Essays in Applied Microeconomics	Oct. 2, 2018	bit.ly/2z6dO4A	
Masters-Level Summer School on Socioeconomic Inequality 2018, Chicago	Jul. 30-Aug. 3, 2018	bit.ly/2Dk35Gn	 
Summer School on Socioeconomic Inequality 2018, Bonn	Jul. 9-13, 2018	bit.ly/2LYAxDK	 
Student Training Summer Seminar at Peking University, Beijing	Jul. 7-9, 2018	bit.ly/2uX5nGs	
Faculty Collaborative Seminar 2018	Jun 25-29, 2018	bit.ly/2LV9omT	 
Family Inequality Workshop	Jun. 19-20, 2018	bit.ly/2HiY13x	
Measuring and Assessing Skills: Real-Time Measurement of Cognition, Personality, and Behavior	Feb. 9-10, 2018	bit.ly/2sfvA1S	
The Gut Microbiome in Human Biology and Health: New Opportunities for the Study of Health Disparities	Nov. 9-10, 2017	bit.ly/2jgPnJJ	 
Understanding Human Capital Formation and its Determinants	Nov. 3, 2017	bit.ly/2zjRANz	 
Workshop on Social Interactions and Crime	Oct. 20-21, 2017	bit.ly/2hdDH9e	
HCEO Dissertation Prize Lunch Lecture: Moved to Opportunity	Oct. 19, 2017	bit.ly/2A8dko2	
Summer School on Socioeconomic Inequality 2017, Moscow, Russia	Aug. 28-Sep.2, 2017	bit.ly/2juDsdN	 
Summer School on Socioeconomic Inequality 2017, Chicago	Aug. 7-11, 2017	bit.ly/2vZrAll	 
Summer School on Socioeconomic Inequality, Guangzhou, China	Jun. 25-29, 2017	bit.ly/2tO1Xmf	 
Conference on Human Capital and Financial Frictions	Apr. 20-21, 2017	bit.ly/2qPplOx	

EMERGING SCHOLARS

Summer Schools, Training Workshops, and Dissertation Prize

HCEO is committed to honoring INET's mission to build a home for a new generation of thinkers. All HCEO programming engages interdisciplinary groups of graduate students and our Emerging Scholars program provides opportunities for younger researchers to present their work to our senior members.

ABOUT SSSI

The 2020 Human Capital and Economic Opportunity Global Working Group Summer Schools on Socioeconomic Inequality will provide a state-of-the-art overview on the study of inequality and human flourishing. Participants will learn about the integration between psychological and sociological insights into the foundations of human behavior and conventional economic models. Through rigorous lectures students will be trained on various tools needed to study the issue of inequality.

During these intense programs, students attend lectures, engage in discussions with leading faculty from around the world, present their own research, and interact with peers from institutions across the globe.

Students are selected from a diverse, competitive applicant pool and represent many disciplines including: economics, public policy, sociology, social thought, and social work. Faculty are selected by the HCEO directors from a range of academic fields.

FEEDBACK FROM SSSI ALUMNI

“SSSI provided a great introduction to new rigorous empirical approaches to investigate economics through original research [...] In addition to the research methodology, many of the presentations discussed cutting edge research on topics of inequality which I plan to incorporate into my own research.”

“[SSSI prepared me to] dive into my research field and use the methods learned in summer school to do better research.”

“SSSI was an eye opening experience that had large impacts on my research and career. It was a great opportunity to interact with leaders in the field and get exposure to cutting edge and relevant skills for doing research. Getting to know other serious students who were successful later on in their subsequent careers was also invaluable. I learned a lot about how to think critically, present work, and interact with other researchers in that short week.”

“It was an inspiring and confidence-boosting week to meet fellow students and present research. One of the best experiences of the Ph.D. and I am encouraging everyone to apply as it's certainly a worthwhile experience for a budding academic!”

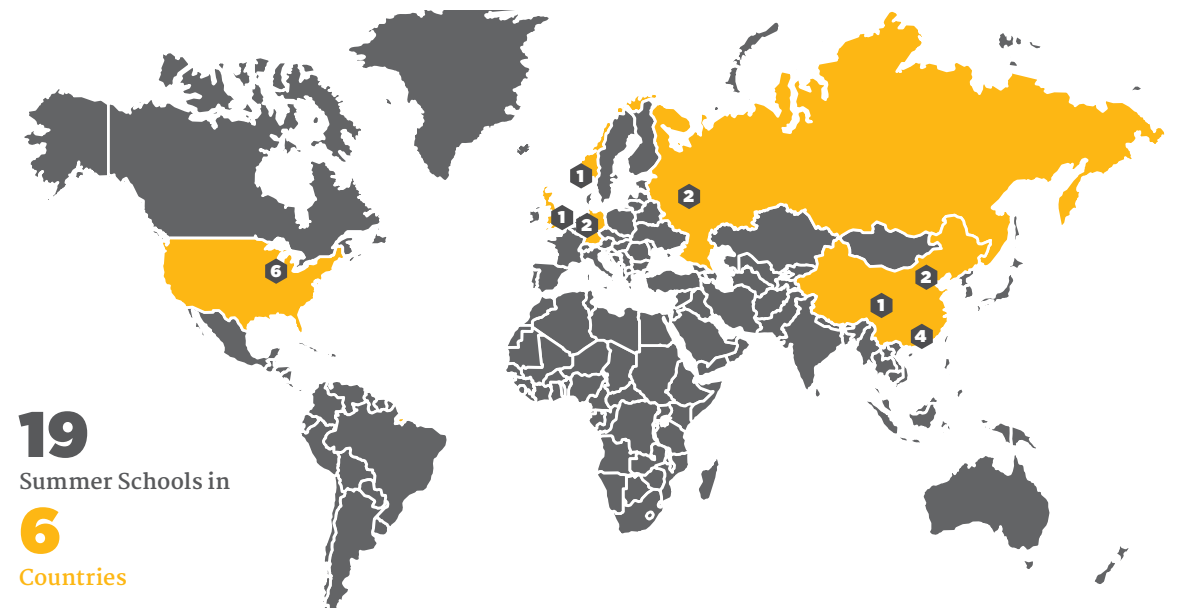
“SSSI provided a great opportunity to learn new techniques and acquire different perspectives on old methods. The close interaction with faculty and students was very valuable and has had considerable impact on my subsequent research.”

“It was a boost of creativity. A push of going further and deeper. And overall I evaluate it as the best summer school I attended during my Ph.D.”

“Coming from a non-US based university, the SSSI was a great opportunity for me to meet and discuss with researchers who are at the frontiers of our field.”



PREVIOUS SUMMER SCHOOLS





HCEO Dissertation Prize Winner,
Yeon Ju Lee

HCEO DISSERTATION PRIZE

In 2017 we launched a competition for the best doctoral dissertation on a topic related to one of HCEO's six networks. In 2019, our third annual dissertation prize was awarded to two recipients. Yeon Ju Lee won for her paper, "Democracy Without Redistribution: The Sense of Injustice, Perceived Inequality, and Preferences for Redistribution," and Yujung Hwang for her paper "General Equilibrium Theory and Empirical Analysis of Immigrants' Neighborhood Sorting and Social Integration." Lee and Hwang each received a \$1,000 prize and presented their research to the Center for the Economics of Human Development, HCEO directors, and University of Chicago faculty.



HCEO Dissertation Prize Winner,
Yujung Hwang



Guangzhou, China

SECOND SUMMER SCHOOL FOR UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

From July 6-10, HCEO and Jinan University will host the Summer School on Socioeconomic Inequality and Best Paper Competition at Jinan University, the second program for undergraduate students in China. During the summer school, six senior professors of economics from leading universities will give introductory lectures to the participants, with an aim of attracting young scholars into social science research focused on issues of inequality.

WORKING PAPER SERIES

Promoting Research and Understanding

Started in 2011, our working paper series now has 436 papers featuring the cutting-edge research of HCEO's members. The series is indexed in RePEc, a recognized research tool used by social sciences throughout the world.

ACCESS STATISTICS

File Downloads	Abstract Views
Total 23,557	Total 45,399
Dec 2019 204	Dec 2019 1,038
Past 3 months 967	Past 3 months 4,083
Past 12 months 4,167	Past 12 months 12,786

TOP 5 JAN - DEC 2019

2019-014: The Boy Crisis: Experimental Evidence on the Acceptance of Males Falling Behind

Alexander Cappelen, Ranveig Falch, and Bertil Tungodden

The "boy crisis" prompts the question of whether people interpret inequalities differently depending on whether males or females are lagging behind. We study this question in a novel large-scale distributive experiment involving more than 5,000 Americans. Our data provide strong evidence of a gender bias against low-performing males, particularly among female participants. A large set of additional treatments establishes that the gender bias reflects statistical fairness

discrimination. The study provides novel evidence on the nature of discrimination and on how males falling behind are perceived by society.

2019-025: Experiment-as-Market: Incorporating Welfare into Randomized Controlled Trials

Yusuke Narita

Randomized Controlled Trials (RCTs) enroll hundreds of millions of subjects and involve many human lives. To improve subjects' welfare, I propose a design of RCTs that I call Experiment-as-Market (EXAM). EXAM produces a Pareto efficient allocation of treatment assignment probabilities, is asymptotically incentive compatible for preference elicitation, and unbiasedly estimates any causal effect estimable with standard RCTs. I quantify these properties by applying EXAM to a water cleaning experiment in Kenya (Kremer et al., 2011). In this empirical setting, compared to standard RCTs, EXAM substantially improves subjects' predicted well-being while reaching similar treatment effect estimates with similar precision.

2019-016: Men Without Work: Why are They so Unhappy in the US Compared to Other Places?

Sergio Pinto and Carol Graham

The global economy is full of paradoxes. Despite progress in technology, reducing poverty, and increasing life expectancy, the poorest states lag behind, and there is increasing inequality and anomie in the wealthiest ones. A key driver of such unhappiness in advanced countries is the decline in the status and wages of low-skilled labor. A related feature is the increase in prime-aged males (and to a lesser extent women) simply dropping out of the labor force, particularly in the U.S. This same group is over-represented in the "deaths of despair." There is frustration among this same cohort in

Europe and it is reflected in voting trends in both contexts. Prime-aged males out of the labor force in the U.S. are the least hopeful and most stressed and angry compared to the same group in other regions, including the Middle East. Our aim is to better understand this cohort as part of a broader need to rethink our growth models and to explore policies that encourage the participation of able workers in the new global economy and can provide incentives for community involvement and other forms of engagement for those who can no longer work.

2019-017: The (In)Elasticity of Moral Ignorance

Marta Serra-Garcia and Nora Szech

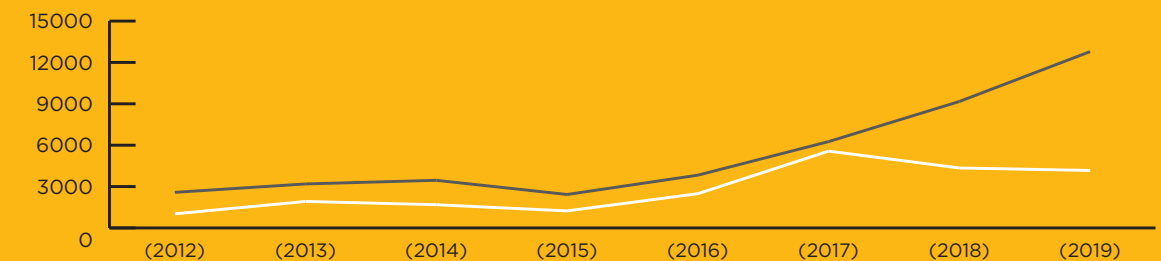
We investigate the elasticity of moral ignorance with respect to monetary incentives and social norm information. We propose that individuals suffer from higher moral costs when rejecting a certain donation, and thus pay for moral ignorance. Consistent with our model, we find significant willingness to pay for ignorance, which we calibrate against morally neutral benchmark treatments. We show that the demand curve for moral ignorance exhibits a sharp kink, of about 50 percent, when moving from small negative to small positive monetary incentives. By contrast, while social norms strongly favor information acquisition, they have little impact on curbing moral ignorance.

2019-043: The Consequences of Friendships: Evidence on the Effect of Social Relationships in School on Academic Achievement

Jason Fletcher, Stephen Ross, and Yuxiu Zhang

This paper examines the impact of youth friendship links on student's own academic performance (grade point average) using the Add Health. We estimate a reduced form, high dimensional fixed effects model of within cohort or grade friendship links and use this model to predict each student's number of friends whose mothers have a four-year college degree. The effects of friendship links are identified using across-cohort, within school variation in demographic composition of the student's cohort or grade. We find that increases in number of friendship links with students whose mothers are college educated raises grade point average among girls, but not among boys. Additional analyses suggest a positive view of the school environment and a perception of one's self as functioning well in that environment as possible mechanisms. The effects are relatively broad based across students over maternal education, racial and ethnic composition and across schools that vary in demographic composition over the same variables.

Working Paper downloads and abstract views from 2012 to 2019



NEW RESOURCES

Expanding HCEO's Reach

HCEO has launched several exciting initiatives, aimed at sharing the important research of our 544 members with a wider audience. Our 3 Questions series, Research Spotlight, and member video interviews all work towards HCEO's mission of understanding and addressing opportunity inequality around the world.

RESEARCH SPOTLIGHTS

Our Research Spotlight series consists of longform articles that highlight recent HCEO working papers. Published on our website, the series helps make the work of our members accessible to a wider audience. This past year, we have featured papers on topics including: peer effects in education, the causal effects of adolescent school bullying, and motherhood and the gender productivity gap. In 2019, our Research Spotlights were accessed through our website over 2,600 times.

Read Recent Spotlights:

John Eric Humphries: bit.ly/2TpFKeA

Jane Waldfogel: bit.ly/2TosMhb

Raquel Fernández: bit.ly/35UBqqq

Stefania Albanesi: bit.ly/2NJIUq3

Research Spotlight: Paid Family Leave and Breastfeeding:
Evidence from California



3 QUESTIONS

Our 3 Questions series consists of brief interviews with HCEO members across all six networks. Published monthly on our website, the interviews spotlight our members and the important research they are doing across disciplines.

Read Recent 3 Questions:

Geoffrey Wodtke: bit.ly/36VgaC0

Marie-Claire Arrieta: bit.ly/2u5UowI

Nazli Baydar: bit.ly/381PJuG

Jun Hyung Kim: bit.ly/2Tr1Z3L

Meghan Azad: bit.ly/2toTP1h



VIDEO INTERVIEWS

Launched in 2016, our bimonthly HCEO member video interview series continues to be a popular resource. The member interviews are published on the HCEO website as well as on our YouTube channel, where the videos have garnered more than 10,000 views this year. In recent months, we have featured interviews on a wide variety of topics related to inequality, including MIP network member Robert Moffitt discussing the optimal design of welfare programs, MIP network member Daily Yang on development in China, and MIP network member Ariel Kalil on parent-child interactions. In 2019, we also continued our complementary video series where network affiliates discuss how they became interested in their field of study.

Watch Recent Interviews:

Christopher Flinn: bit.ly/30pCXn8

John Eric Humphries: bit.ly/2RnNuev

Ariel Kalil: bit.ly/2tYEG0i

Dali Yang: bit.ly/388YJ11

Bertil Tungodden: bit.ly/2QTU4dF



HCEO MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

Deepening Understanding of Inequality Scholarship

It is the mission of HCEO to foster a wider understanding of global inequality and promote the use of members' work to inform policy and interventions that can address poverty and human capital development. Engagement with media is a catalyst for this mission.

Every American family basically pays an \$8,000 'poll tax' under the U.S. health system, top economists say

Angus Deaton

The Washington Post, January 7, 2020

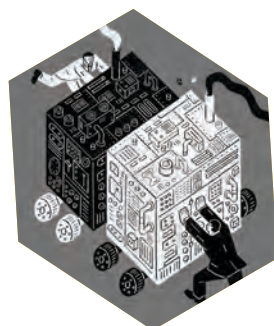


The Washington Post highlights a forthcoming book by HI network member Angus Deaton and Anne Case, on the future of capitalism. In it, the authors argue that America's health-care costs "are so far above what people pay in other countries that they are the equivalent of a hefty tax."

The Clash of Capitalisms

Branko Milanovic

Foreign Affairs, January/February 2020



In an article for *Foreign Affairs*, MIP network member Branko Milanovic asks what the future holds for Western capitalist societies. "The ineluctable truth is that capitalism is here to stay and has no

competitor," he writes. "The real battle is within capitalism, between two models that jostle against each other."

The gene-based hack that is revolutionizing epidemiology

George Davey Smith

Nature, December 10, 2019



This *Nature* article weighs the benefits of Mendelian randomization, a novel approach that helps distinguish causation from correlation. HI network member George Davey Smith, who helped pioneer the technique, urges

scientists to use the tool with caution. "Every single method can be biased," he told *Nature*.

How to Break the Poverty Cycle

James Heckman

The New York Times, November 27, 2019



The *New York Times* reference HCEO Director James Heckman's latest research on the Perry Preschool Project, which found that high-quality early childhood education can break the cycle of poverty. "How much good does a preschool

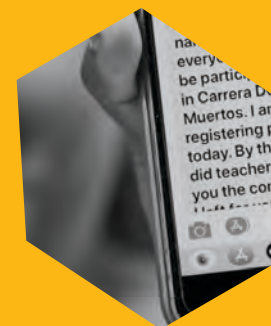
experience offer children born in poverty? Enough

to make their later lives much better, and they pass a heritage of opportunity on to their own children," the article notes.

Reading at home and school attendance shot up with a cheap, easy solution: Texting

Ariel Kalil

USA Today, September 12, 2019



"Well-timed, well-crafted text messages to parents have led to an increase in reading to toddlers and a rise in Head Start enrollment and attendance," shows research from MIP network member Ariel Kalil's

Behavioral Insights and Parenting Lab.

New research probes eviction's causes and consequences

John Eric Humphries

The Economist, August 24, 2019



The *Economist* featured a new HCEO working paper on evictions, and whether they're better thought of as symptoms rather than triggers of poverty, by MIP member John Eric Humphries and co-authors.

Did busing for school desegregation succeed? Here's what research says.

Rucker Johnson

Chalkbeat, July 1, 2019



Chalkbeat spoke to MIP network member Rucker Johnson on his research into the impact of school integration. "School integration didn't fail. The only failure is that we stopped pursuing it and allowed the reign of segregation to

return," Johnson says.

Sure Start programme saved the NHS millions of pounds, study finds

Gabriella Conti and Rita Ginja

The Guardian, June 3, 2019



New research from HI network member Gabriella Conti and ECI/Markets network member Rita Ginja shows that the UK's Sure Start program had major health benefits for children in poorer areas. "Sure Start children's centres delivered

major health benefits for youngsters in the most deprived areas, reducing the number of people taken to hospital and delivering millions of pounds in savings to the NHS," *The Guardian* notes.

NOTABLE MEMBER AWARDS

Accomplishments and Honors

HCEO Members were honored this year for their deep understanding of, and cutting edge research into, the issue of inequality around the world.

Donna Gilleskie

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Member, Health Inequality and Identity & Personality
November 2019



Donna Gilleskie, an HI/IP network member, was elected to the International Association of Applied Econometrics. The IAAE is the leading academic association for advancing and supporting research in applied

econometrics.

Benjamin Golub

Harvard University
Member, Inequality: Measurement, Interpretation, and Policy
November, 2019



In November 2019, it was announced that MIP network member Benjamin Golub would be awarded the 6th Calvó-Armengol Prize in the spring of 2020. The prize is awarded every two years to an economist or other social scientist under the

age of 40, for their “contributions to the understanding of social structure and its implications for economic interactions.”

Branko Milanovic

Graduate Center, City University of New York
Member, Inequality: Measurement, Interpretation, and Policy
November 14, 2019



MIP network member Branko Milanovic has been appointed the honorary Maddison Chair at the Faculty of Economics and Business of the University of Groningen. “Branko Milanovic is a pioneering scholar of global inequality,

and is a perfect fit to contribute to our research program on economic development around the world,” said Professor of Economic History Herman de Jong.

Sian Beilock

Barnard College
Member, Identity and Personality
October 29, 2019



IP network member Sian Beilock received a 2019 Psychonomic Society and Women in Cognitive Science Leadership Award. The WiCS Leadership Award recognizes initiatives that scientists have taken, “beyond their own

students and labs, to benefit women in cognitive science.”

Sharon Ramey

Virginia Tech
Member, Early Childhood Interventions
October, 2019



ECI network member Sharon Ramey was elected a 2019 American Association for the Advancement of Science Fellow. The fellowship “honors members whose efforts on behalf of the advancement of science or its

applications in service to society have distinguished them among their peers and colleagues.”

James J. Heckman

University of Chicago
HCEO Director
September 30, 2019



HCEO Director James Heckman received the Friendship Award from the Chinese government. Established in 1991, the Friendship Award is the highest honor issued by the Chinese government to

foreign experts. Awardees are chosen for their outstanding contributions to China’s economic and social progress.

Jason Fletcher

University of Wisconsin-Madison
Member, Inequality: Measurement, Interpretation, and Policy
May 8, 2019



MIP network member Jason Fletcher was named to Vilas Distinguished Achievement Professorship at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. The award recognizes “distinguished scholarship as well as standout efforts in teaching and service.”

AMPLIFYING RESEARCH

Website and Social Media Metrics

HCEO disseminates the work of its members through four media channels: hceconomics.org, YouTube, Facebook, and Twitter.

HCECONOMICS.ORG AS A GLOBAL RESOURCE

The new HCEO website went live on November 14, 2013. This site has been completely redesigned from top to bottom to be easier to update and maintain, but more importantly, to share the work of HCEO with a larger audience. Since launch, HCEO's website has had 667,246 pageviews and 236,365 users.

Top 5 Traffic Sources for 2019

Source	Pageviews
google	68,994
direct	29,523
facebook	8,701
twitter	8,041
bing	1,518

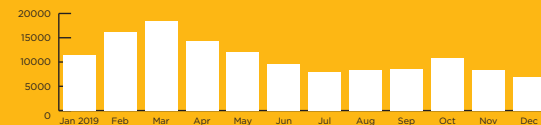
HCECONOMICS.ORG GLOBAL REACH



Visits by Top 10 Countries 2019

Country	Pageviews
United States	70,590
United Kingdom	7,756
China	5,883
Germany	4,738
Canada	3,474
India	3,248
Italy	2,866
Russia	1,991
South Korea	1,957
Spain	1,730

Pageviews: 132,670 in 2019



Users: 58,242 in 2019



HCEO RESEARCH ON SOCIAL MEDIA

In addition to the website, HCEO maintains active YouTube, Twitter, and Facebook feeds and uses them to disseminate the work of HCEO members. HCEO's YouTube views, Facebook likes, and Twitter followers continue to grow.

- facebook.com/hceconomics
- twitter.com/hceconomics
- youtube.com/hceconomics

Facebook Likes: 1634 (19% growth)

Twitter Followers: 2815 (63% growth)

YouTube Subscribers: 1410 (26% growth)

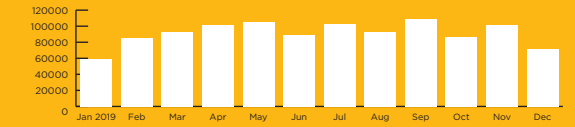
Top 5 Countries Past Year: Youtube

Country	Min. Watched
United States	81,300
India	3,612
United Kingdom	2,730
Germany	1,218
Canada	1,134

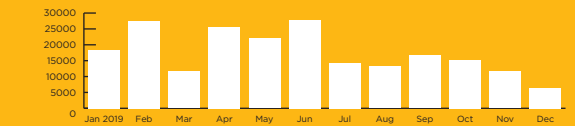
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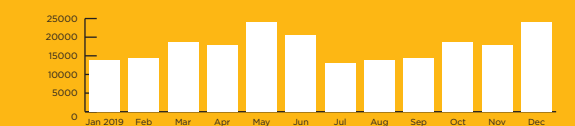
Twitter impressions since Jun 2018



Facebook reach since Jan 2018



YouTube minutes watched in 2019



Top 5 Countries: Facebook

Country	Fans
United States	497
India	91
Mexico	91
United Kingdom	68
Brazil	63

GLOBAL PARTNERSHIPS

Fostering International Collaboration

As part of our mission to address opportunity equality worldwide, HCEO partners with local and global organizations to help expand the engagement of scholars. Through these partnerships, HCEO has been able to broaden the reach of our programs, including our Summer School on Socioeconomic Inequality and the Asian Family in Transition initiative. We look forward to continuing to foster a spirit of collaboration with the international academic community.

HCEO continues to partner with local and global organizations to help expand the engagement of scholars, in turn building institutional relationships that lead to interdisciplinary and international collaborations. Through these partnerships, HCEO has been able to broaden the reach of our programs, including our Summer School on Socioeconomic Inequality series. We look forward to continuing to foster a spirit of collaboration with the international academic community. In 2019, we expanded our network of collaborators with our conference on “Breastfeeding and the Origins of Health: Interdisciplinary Perspectives and Priorities.” The conference was co-organized by HI network member Meghan Azad and Nathan Nickel and took place in Winnipeg, Canada.

SUMMER SCHOOLS ON SOCIOECONOMIC INEQUALITY

In 2019, HCEO expanded our international collaborations by hosting our first SSSI programs in Chengdu, China and Bergen, Norway, at the Norwegian School of Economics.

Our summer school in Chengdu, which took place at Southwestern University of Finance and Economics, received the most applicants to date. We look forward to holding our second summer school in Chengdu in 2020. HCEO returned to Moscow in 2019 for our second SSSI program co-organized with the New Economic School. We also held our first summer school for undergraduate students, at Jinan University in Guangzhou, China, which was co-organized by the Institute for Economic and Social Research. This program included the 2019 Best Paper Competition, where participants had the opportunity to present their work before a panel of leading experts and receive constructive feedback. We will return to Guangzhou this summer to host our second summer program for undergraduates. In 2020, we also look forward to returning to Bonn, Germany, for our third SSSI co-organized and hosted by briq, which is led by IP network leader Armin Falk.





ABOUT HCEO

Our Vision

Founded in 2010, the Human Capital and Economic Opportunity Global Working Group (HCEO) is a collaboration of 544 researchers, educators, and policy makers focused on human capital development and its impact on opportunity inequality. HCEO's unique approach enables collaboration among scholars with varying disciplines, approaches, perspectives, and fields. This means the integration of biological, sociological, and psychological perspectives into traditionally economic questions. The result is innovative thinking and approaches to inequality and human capital development research.



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Robert H. Dugger is the co-founder of ReadyNation, the Managing Partner of Hanover Provident Capital, a retired partner in the hedge fund Tudor Investment Corporation, and former board chairman of Grumeti Reserves

Ltd., a Tanzanian wildlife conservation company whose tourism operations are managed by Singita and were ranked by *Travel + Leisure* magazine as the best in the world in 2011 and 2012.

DIRECTORS



James J. Heckman is a Nobel Laureate and the Henry Schultz Distinguished Service Professor of Economics at the University of Chicago. He is also founder and director of the Center for the Economics of Human Development. He

has devoted his professional life to understanding the origins of major social and economic problems related to inequality, social mobility, discrimination, skill formation and regulation, and to devising and evaluating alternative strategies for addressing those problems. His research recognizes the diversity among people in skills, family origins, peers, and preferences as well as the diversity of institutions and regulations and the consequences of this diversity for analyzing and addressing social and economic problems.

WHAT WE DO

The organization comprises six research networks that focus on the most pressing issues within human capital development and inequality. These networks produce one-of-a-kind conferences, research programs, publications, and education that highlight findings from the best science and the application of best practices. Through its networks and innovative research, HCEO plays a vital role in understanding and addressing opportunity inequality around the world.

A UNIQUE APPROACH

- ✦ Welcomes all researchers regardless of approach, school of thought, or discipline
- ✦ Networks are self-managed and self-governed vs. driven by a single organizational agenda
- ✦ Supports and generates research without expectation of predetermined outcomes
- ✦ Extends network membership well beyond economics to biological, sociological, and psychological perspectives
- ✦ Encourages debate, discussion, and exchanges that result in better research outcomes

IMPACT

- ✦ Multidisciplinary networks result in new approaches to research and its application
- ✦ Relationships with governments and policy makers put best practices into action
- ✦ Influences numerous research studies and governmental policies
- ✦ Findings are being directly applied in one of the largest populations in the world—China



WE PLAY A VITAL ROLE

- ✦ Income and opportunity inequality is a global and growing problem
- ✦ Governments, private think tanks, and others each look at only a portion of the total problem in hopes of finding a lasting solution
- ✦ Only HCEO integrates biological, sociological, and psychological perspectives into traditionally economic questions addressed by multidisciplinary teams of experts
- ✦ Our approach treats social science research as an empirical endeavor, resulting in rigorously tested public policy directions and solutions
- ✦ Our members' research provides insights and directions on how to best foster human flourishing and improve economic productivity

STAFF



Alison Baulos is the *Executive Director* of the Center for the Economics of Human Development and oversees all academic initiatives including the Human Capital and Economic Opportunity Global Working Group. She received a

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Octavian Busuioac is the *Multimedia and Graphic Design Director* for the Human Capital and Economic Opportunity Global Working Group. He leads the visual identity of the project including maintenance of

HCEO's website and the creation and innovation of print materials. He also manages technology for the group. He received a B.A. from the University of Toronto in 2006 and an M.A. and Ph.D. in Philosophy from Queen's University in 2007 and 2013 respectively.



Kerry Cardoza is the *Communications and Outreach Manager* for the Human Capital and Economic Opportunity Global Working Group. She manages the group's social media channels and disseminates members'

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Jennifer Pachon is the *Program Manager for Academic Initiatives and Publications* for the Human Capital and Economic Opportunity Global Working Group. She led the creation

and launch of the original website and the redesigned website and launched and now maintains HCEO's working paper series. In addition, she oversees the newsletter and research efforts of the working group. She received a B.A. in Philosophy from Swarthmore College and an M.A. in Philosophy from the University of Chicago, working on the philosophy of science and philosophy of mind.



LEADERSHIP AND NETWORKS

Connecting Experts Across Fields

Early Childhood Interventions

The Early Childhood Interventions Network investigates the early origins of inequality and its lifetime consequences.

Network Leaders: Pia Britto | Flavio Cunha | James J. Heckman | Petra Todd



Family Inequality

The Family Inequality Network focuses on the interactions among family members to understand the well-being of children and their parents.

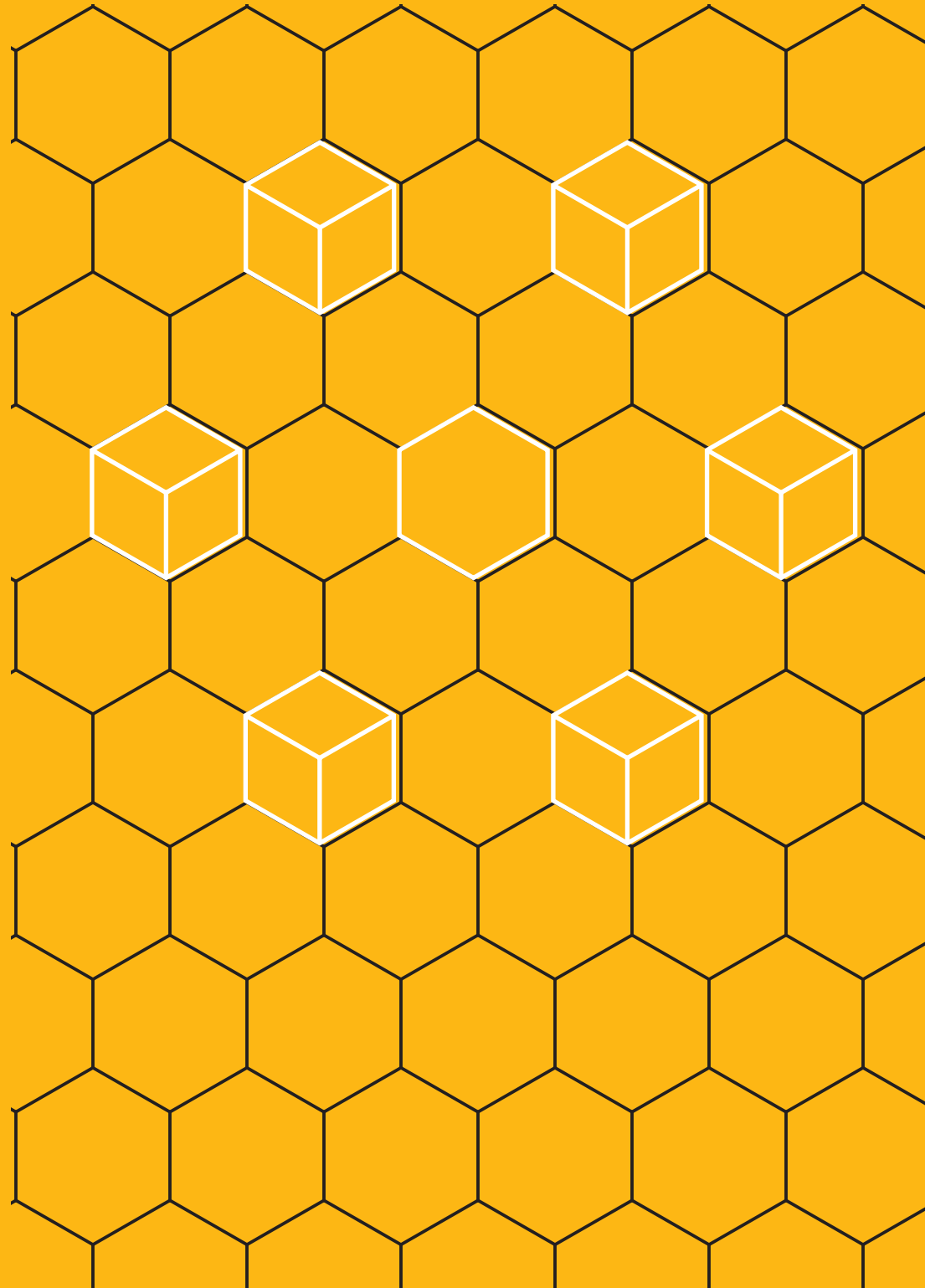
Network Leaders: Pierre-André Chiappori | Flavio Cunha | Nezhir Guner



Health Inequality

The Health Inequality Network unifies several disciplines into a comprehensive framework for understanding health disparities over the lifecycle.

Network Leaders: Christopher Kuzawa | Burton Singer



Identity and Personality

The Identity and Personality Network studies the reciprocal relationship between individual differences and economic, social, and health outcomes.

Network Leaders: Angela Duckworth | Armin Falk | Joseph Kable | Tim Kautz | Rachel Kranton



Inequality: Measurement, Interpretation, & Policy

The Inequality: Measurement, Interpretation, and Policy Network studies policies designed to reduce inequality and boost individual flourishing.

Network Leaders: Robert H. Dugger | Steven N. Durlauf | Scott Duke Kominers | Richard V. Reeves



Markets

The Markets Network investigates human capital financing over the lifecycle.

Network Leaders: Dean Corbae | Lance Lochner | Mariacristina De Nardi



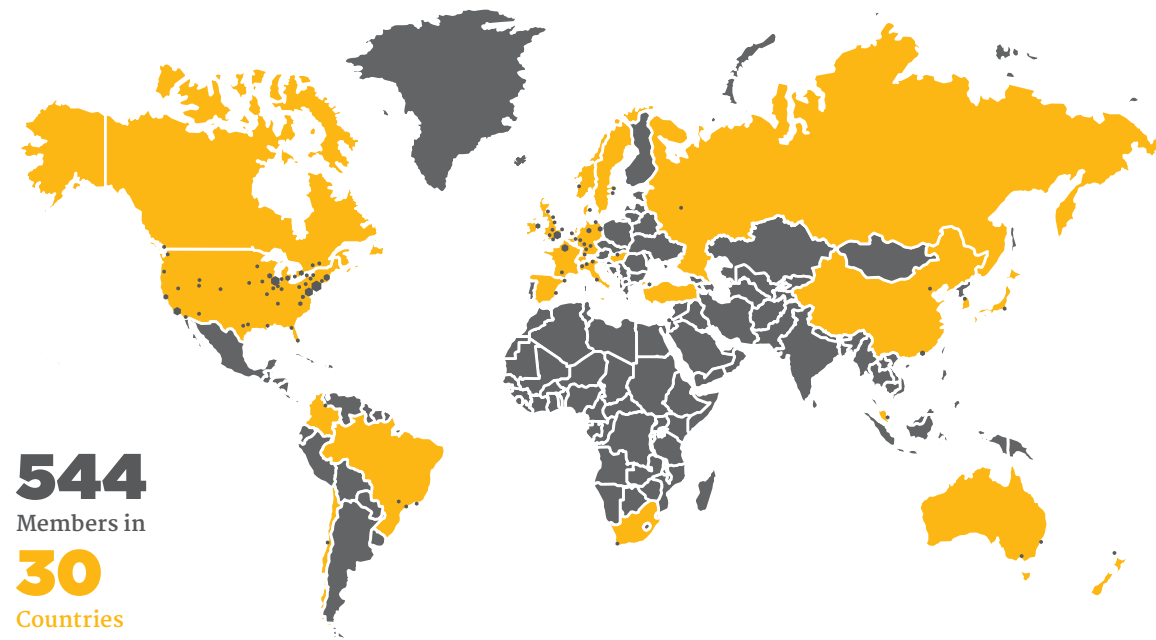
MEMBERS

HCEO's Interdisciplinary Composition

HCEO currently consists of 544 members from institutions in 30 countries. We connect experts across disciplines to advance innovative thinking and approaches to inequality and human capital development research, which are designed to improve individual opportunity worldwide.

HCEO'S INTERNATIONAL REACH

HCEO members work in 30 different countries across the globe. The diversity of perspectives offered by an international membership helps to reinforce HCEO's mission to integrate not only disparate academic approaches to the problems of inequality and development, and also the distinct facets of those problems displayed in different countries.



HCEO'S INTERDISCIPLINARY COMPOSITION

Although the majority of our members are economists, we also have members from psychology, health sciences, anthropology, and philosophy among our number. Membership in HCEO is by invitation from the network leaders who select researchers, educators, and policymakers dedicated to the scientific principles of HCEO and who embrace the opportunities HCEO provides to bridge boundaries between disciplines.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS BY DISCIPLINE AND NETWORK

	Early Childhood Interventions	Family Inequality	Health Inequality	Identity and Personality	Inequality: Measurement Interpretation & Policy	Markets
Biology	1		3			
Business	1	1		1	2	1
Economics	74	52	16	26	129	101
Education	16			1	3	
Law	1				3	
Mathematics	1		1	1		
Medicine	2		14		1	
Neuroscience	4		1	2		
Philosophy					10	
Political / Social Science	4		1		8	
Psychology	29		1	29	6	
Public Health	1		2			
Public Policy	4		1	2	6	1
Sociology	5				22	

