



ÖREBRO UNIVERSITY
SCHOOL OF LAW, PSYCHOLOGY AND
SOCIAL WORK

Promoting Empirical Analysis of Young People's Tolerance and Support for Social Justice in the Nordic/Baltic Countries

Data Workshop June 8-15, 2011 at Youth & Society (YeS), Örebro University, Sweden

With the aim of stimulating the analysis of empirical research and the preparation of papers on xenophobia and tolerance in the Nordic/Baltic schools, an interdisciplinary effort at Örebro University (Sweden) will hold a data workshop making use of The IEA Civic Education 1999 as well as the follow up IEA ICCS 2009 data (www.iea.nl).

Thanks to a grant by the Swedish Research Council's Committee on Educational Sciences it will be led by Professor Judith Torney-Purta from the University of Maryland together with Dr Carolyn Barber, University of Missouri, Kansas City.

The theme of the workshop is comparative analysis of tolerance, xenophobia attitudes and support for social justice among Nordic/Baltic youth in various school settings. We will introduce cluster analysis methods using these data, which will be presented by Professor Håkan Stattin and Dr Metin Özdemir, Youth & Society (YeS), Örebro University.

Program

Wednesday, June 8

10-12 Demonstration of the applicability of the IEA data bases by Professor Judith Torney-Purta and Dr Carolyn Barber

13-18 Introduction to cluster analyses by Professor Håkan Stattin and Dr Metin Özdemir

Thursday, June 9

9-18 Data workshop

Friday, June 10 – Monday, June 13

Writing with access to supervision either physically at our Campus or virtually.

Tuesday, June 14 – Wednesday, June 15

Reunion for participants interested in sharing results for feedback or advice on methodological issues. A few new participants may also join these discussions.

PARTICIPANTS

We hope to attract junior and senior colleagues from various disciplines – such as political science, psychology, education, sociology, media and communication – dealing with the development of schools, civic engagement, political socialization and/or in tolerance attitudes and social justice in the Nordic/Baltic countries generally as well as those mainly interested in applied cluster analysis.

Participants from various disciplines need to have basic understanding of statistical methods but do not need to be specialists. We hope that some draft papers will be completed by the end of the period; analysis and writing will continue after the workshop with advice provide by email.

RESEARCH COURSE

If you are interesting in gaining credits, the workshop will be expanded to a more extensive course (7,5 ECTS), in which you have to report the finding of your analysis including clarifying your research questions, doing the analyses, drawing the conclusion and commenting on the broader social issue by relating to literature on research methods as well as on the broader societal issue.

PREPARATIONS

It would be very helpful for the lecturers/supervisors if you please could send a short *abstract* (150 to 200 words) on the intended topic of your article, a list of potential collaborators, and any information about your statistical needs.

VENUE

The workshop will take place at Örebro University, Sweden, in room no T 205. For maps etcetera, please go to <http://www.oru.se/Om-universitetet/For-besokare/>

COSTS

The workshop will be free of charge (but we are unable to provide travel funds).

FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information about the content of the course, please contact Professor Erik Amnå, YeS, Örebro University, ph +46 19 301053, erik.amna@oru.se

APPLICATION & ACCOMODATION

Please, send your application (including abstract) to Ms Mia Holmström at forskningsadm.jps@oru.se May 25 at latest.

She will also gladly assist in finding inexpensive accommodations. Please, let her know about your needs and preferences.