

Call for Applications
Arab-German Joint Program on
Behavioral and Experimental Economics
With a Special Course on Text-Mining
Summer School, Hamburg, July 2 - 28, 2020
(Application Deadline: 12th February, 2020)

The summer school in behavioral and experimental economics is organized by the Institute of Law and Economics at the University of Hamburg in cooperation with the Department of Economics at the American University in Beirut, the Department of Economics at the British University in Egypt, the Faculty of Economics & Political Science at Cairo University, ESSEC Tunis, and the Faculty of Law & Political Science in Sousse. The program is funded by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD).



Course Program

The summer school on Behavioral and Experimental Economics aims at boosting participants' knowledge on the breadth of applications of the behavioral economic theory and experimental methods. Participants are expected to have sufficient knowledge on the field prior to joining the program in July. The program is interactive such that participants are required to actively take part in reading and learning the material given, then apply the knowledge they will acquire by designing and presenting their research ideas by the end of the summer school.

The summer school also provides a special course on text mining; an automated way of information extraction from written text and its transformation into structured data ready for analysis. This course requires good knowledge of the statistical software R. Accepted participants who do not have good knowledge of R will be requested to attend a condensed training workshop in Hamburg before the course starts.

Objective

By the end of the summer school, students will be able to develop own research questions informed by behavioral economics. They will learn how to design and implement economic experiments, and analyze experimental data. To further relate theoretical knowledge and practical research, participants will develop own projects in small groups and receive feedback on their ideas. A certificate will be issued after successful completion of the courses.

Tuition

The summer school fees are 250,- Euro in addition to 350,- Euro for accommodation. There is a limited number of scholarships available for excellent students from the partner universities in Lebanon, Egypt, and Tunisia. Participants are invited to stay at the University's dorms. Reading materials and software are made accessible for the duration of the course.

Application

We welcome applications from undergraduate, graduate, and PhD students of the aforementioned universities. Sufficient knowledge of behavioral economics, microeconomics theory and statistics is a must. Students who expect to study behavioral economics in Spring 2019/2020 are also welcome to apply. An excellent command of the English language is required for participation. The applicant's specific interest to conduct research in behavioral and experimental economics should be addressed in the letter of motivation.

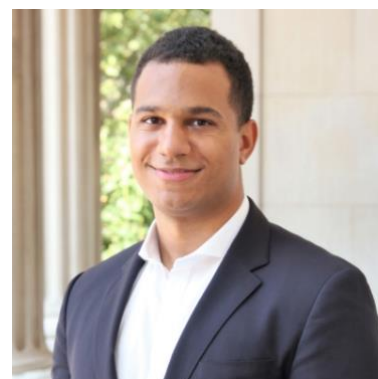
Please send your application, which should include your CV, a letter of motivation (not more than one page), and a copy of your most recent diploma or transcript no later than **February 12th, 2020**. Acceptance will be communicated in March 2020.

Confirmed Speakers

Prof. Dr. Julian Nyarko

Assistant Professor of Law, Stanford Law School. Prof. Nyarko is an expert on using quantitative methods and machine learning in the legal domain.

Prof. Nyarko received his degree from the University of Hamburg and the University of California, Berkeley.





Dr. Hanjo Hamann

Senior Research Fellow, Max-Planck-Institute for Research on Collective Goods. Dr. Hamann's research interests include Behavioral Economics and Legislative Theory.

Dr. Hamann received his degree from the University of Jena and the University of Bonn.

Prof. Dr. Gerd Mühlheuser

Professor of Economics, University of Hamburg. Prof. Mühlheuser's research interests includes microeconomics, behavioral law and economics, and contract theory.

Prof. Mühlheuser studied at the University of Frankfurt and Bonn Graduate School of Economics.

