BAMBERG GRADUATE SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES





Education and Employment

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Time: Bi-weekly, Monday, 14:15-17:45

Preliminary meeting on Monday, 24.10.2016, 14:15-17:45

Starts on 14.11.2016, last session on 06.02.2017

Place: FMA/00,07

Registration: Please send a mail to Miriam Schneider (miriam.schneider@uni-bamberg.de) to

register.

Description

The seminar is open for international students. If required it takes place in English, otherwise in German.

Education and the labour market are tightly connected in post-industrial societies: Education is regarded today as most important prerequisite for socioeconomic success and economic prosperity. From a life-course perspective, young people have to manage the transition from school to work. However, the phase of education is not completed anymore by reaching this milestone; further training and lifelong learning become more and more important. For employers, educational certificates and grades are essential criteria to fill vacant positions. Credentials thus decide about unemployment risks, positions, and wages, but they are not rewarded equally among all groups in society. Finally, the relevance of skills with regard to career success has changed in the course of educational expansion and structural labour market change. In the seminar, we read and jointly discuss some theoretical and many empirical articles to explore the various interrelations between education and the labour market. At the end of the seminar, we get to know an ongoing data base on the topic, the National Educational Panel Study (NEPS), and develop our own research proposals based on this data.

Basic Literature

David B. Bills (2004): The Sociology of Education and Work. Oxford: Blackwell Publishing. [Chapters 1-3]