Valuation and Survey Design 1-week Training Course

Schedule of Topics

Day 1: Review of Economic Valuation Methods - Jorge Nogueira

Day 2: Survey Design - Jorge Nogueira

Introductory Questions

Economic questions – travel cost, willingness to pay

Demographic and sensitive questions

Open ended vs. closed questions

Day 3a: Survey Design - Jorge Nogueira

Sampling protocols

Random samples

Stratified Random Samples

Censuses

Sample Size

Day 3b: Handling Data – Linwood Pendleton

Dummy variables

Intervals

Missing data vs. non-response

Response rates

Entering data

Checking data

Day 4: Basic Statistics and Regression Methods – Linwood Pendleton

What questions can you answer with statistics?

Describe your results

Means and Medians

Ranges and Confidence Intervals

Describe differences in Values

Testing the Difference of Means

Correlations

How do other factors affect values? (A preview for Day 5)

Day 5: Basic Regression Methods – Linwood Pendleton

Practice Analyzing Data, Interpreting Results

Why Do a Regression?

Lining up the data

Dependent, Independent, Endogenous, and Collinear Variables

Running a regression

Interpreting the results