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Course Objectives

The purpose of this intensive workshop is to provide a broad introduction to measurement theory and alternative approaches for developing and assessing multi-item scales. The workshop is designed for non-experts and the emphasis is on the steps associated with the development and validation of sound measures for use in empirical studies. Its target audience includes doctoral students and academic researchers involved in quantitative research. The workshop assumes previous knowledge of data analysis and basic multivariate statistics. Ideally, participants should have already completed an introductory structural equations modeling (SEM) course.

Scope & Approach

The workshop seeks to familiarize participants with the various stages associated with the construction of sound measures for use in empirical research, highlighting key decisions and potential problems at each stage. Following an introduction of the key concerns of measurement theory, the conceptual underpinnings of alternative measurement perspectives – namely reflective and formative measurement – are discussed. These set the conceptual background for considering operational procedures for developing reflective scales and formative indices and for offering detailed guidelines for measure validation. To enable participants experience measure development "in action", the various issues are illustrated with concrete examples of reflective scale development and formative index construction drawn from the literature.

Once participants have become familiar with basic measurement principles, more advanced topics will be addressed such as higher-order models, parceling strategies, and single-item measurement. Note that in several of the illustrations used, the LISREL program will be applied to estimate the relevant models and, therefore, it is highly desirable that participants are familiar with basic structural equations modeling (SEM) procedures.

The workshop will take the form of interactive workshop sessions, placing particular emphasis on audience participation. Participants are strongly encouraged to read widely on the subject (see Readings below) and would also benefit from having access to SEM software

such as the LISREL program (a free student version of the latter is available for downloading under www.ssicentral.com).

Readings

Readings marked with an asterisk "*" should ideally be read prior to the workshop; the remainder are more technical/advanced and best tackled after attending the workshop. Readings denoted (A) involve applications/illustrations of measurement development procedures in substantive research situations and can be consulted at any time.

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