Manage Successful Field Research

May 8 - 12, 2023

In-person in Washington, D.C for the first time since 2019

58 participants from World Bank and governments

51% increase in software knowledge

97% participants rated the course highly relevant to their area of work

12 field research lectures
- Measurement framework
- Design & pilot a survey
- Data quality assurance
- Research ethics & privacy

4 software labs
- Stata
- R
- SurveyCTO
- GitHub

3 networking events
- DIME Knowledge Bazar
- DIME Snippets
- Networking reception
DIME Knowledge Bazaar
Participants interacted with DIME team members to gain exposure to practical experience of working in field research

Panel: Use of Innovative Data Sources at WB
World Bank experts discussed the use of data sources such as admin data and mobile big data (MBD) to inform policy research

“It was a great opportunity to learn from people with years of field experience, find motivation to also understand the larger picture and go beyond our desk job responsibilities.”

“The hands on trainings especially about the DIME packages and the best recommended practices were a very good and informative introduction to amazing code stuff which I really look forward to using in my upcoming projects to write more efficient code.”

“It was highly relevant as most of the sessions covered touched based on topics that help us as FC to successfully manage field research. Especially how to engage with stakeholders and the tools that help us to collect, analyze and disseminate the results.”

Panel: Maximizing Policy Impact of Field Research
World Bank experts and public officials from Nepal discussed the influence of field research and MDBs on development policy

Group Discussion: Preparing for Fieldwork
Participants discuss their experience conducting fieldwork, and solutions to issues they faced during implementation

NOTE: All course materials are publicly available on OSF