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6th July 2015, Seminar

Civil Conflict and Antipoverty Programmes: Effects on Demobilisation

1300-1400hrs, Nile Room, 1st floor - Arthur Lewis building

Antipoverty programmes have been successful in helping millions of people afford better livelihoods. While this is well known, little research has yet been conducted that examines the power of such programmes to influence outcomes in times of conflict, especially in countries where antipoverty programmes are implemented amidst disputes against illegal armed groups. This paper focuses on the implementation of *Familias en Accion*, a flagship antipoverty programme in Colombia during the early 2000s when the country was experiencing the crudest peak in its long-lasting internal conflict. Results indicate that the programme had positive effects on the demobilisation of combatants. The theoretical transmission channels of these effects are discussed and contrasted with the existing empirical evidence

08 July 2015, Writing session

Shut Up and Write (SUAW)

1300 - 1:00hrs, Roscoe 3.9

Book a place [here](#)

If you have never participated in a SUAW this is how it works:

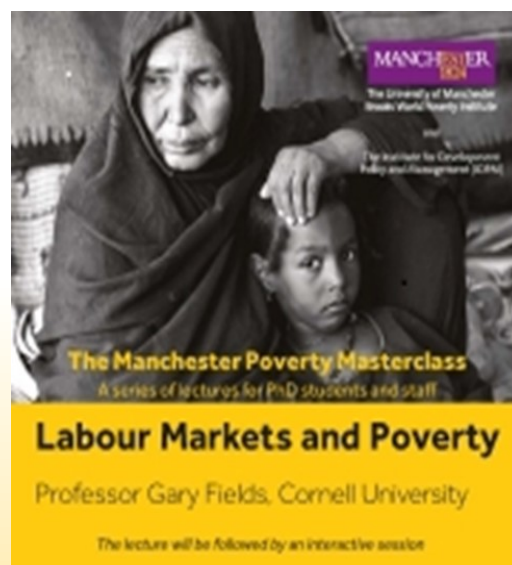
- People arrive early; take 5 min to set some writing goals.
- Once everyone settles in, we all write for 25 minutes in silence.
- After 25 mins, we have a short 5-mins break. NO talking.
- Then, everyone sits back down and writes for another 25 minutes.
- After, we have a longer break for 20 minutes. During this time, you can chat & check your mobile
- Repeat steps above
- At the end of the session, review to what extent you achieved your writing goals. Draft a writing plan for the next day / week.

17 Jul 2015, Seminar

1000-1200hrs, G.035/36 -Arthur Lewis Building

The [next Poverty Masterclass for staff and PhD](#)

[students](#) will take place on 17th July with Professor Gary Fields



14-16 September 2015, International Conference:

King's House Conference Centre, Manchester

The ['Quest for Humanitarian Effectiveness? International conference](#) is now officially associated to the [World Humanitarian Summit](#), within the theme of humanitarian effectiveness, and is formally linked to the International Humanitarian Studies Association. Our conference will contribute to reflections leading to the first World Humanitarian Summit (which will be held in Istanbul on 26 and 27 May 2016). This conference, jointly organised by the Humanitarian and Conflict Response Institute (HCRI) and Save the Children's Humanitarian Affairs Team (HAT), will reflect on the evolution and consequence of existing approaches to understanding and improving humanitarian effectiveness. Read more [here](#) and [register online](#).

Arthur Lewis Centennial Lecture

Hosted by The Manchester School, BWPI/IDPM and the Department of Economics.

Modelling Labour Markets in Developing Countries

Professor Gary Fields

The year 2015 is the centennial of the birth of Nobel laureate Arthur Lewis. Professor Gary Fields, the leading labour economist in the world working on developing countries, will present the Arthur Lewis Centennial Lecture.

Professor Fields was awarded the 2014 IZA Prize in Labor Economics, the most prestigious science award in the field, for his outstanding contributions on the importance of efficient labour markets to fight poverty and foster economic development in low- and middle-income countries and by pioneering economic thinking about labour markets in developing countries by focusing on indicators such as poverty, inequality and income mobility.



3.30 – 5.00 pm, Thursday 16th July 2015

Lecture Theatre G6, Humanities Bridgeford Street.

Free admission – everyone welcome



NEWS

[Keeping well over summer](#)

So the undergraduates (well, most of them) have left for the summer and you're still here. The campus is quiet, but maybe the novelty of a shorter queue for your meal deal is wearing off and you are left feeling a little worried about deadlines, writing up and vivas. Here are some tips for keeping upbeat over summer.

[Manchester amongst the world's best for Development Studies](#)

The University of Manchester has been ranked in the top three in the world for Development Studies in the latest [QS World University rankings](#).

[Armando Barrientos](#), presented a paper on Social assistance and women's labour supply in Kyrgyzstan at the Panel on Gender, Work and Family: Evidence from the New Life in Kyrgyzstan Surveys, 2010-13, *World Congress of Comparative Economics*, Roma Tre University, 25th June 2015

[Armando Barrientos](#), gave a paper on Age and poverty at the Social Protection Seminar, UNU-Merit, MSOG, University of Maastricht, 18th June 2015

[Armando Barrientos](#), participated in a workshop on the new Social Assistance, Politics and Institutions database, UNU-WIDER, Helsinki, 4/5 June 2015.

[IDPM research ranked second in the UK for impact](#)

IDPM's position as one of the leading areas of development research has been confirmed in the most recent [research Excellence Framework \(REF\)](#).



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[The Arthur Lewis centenary conference:](#)

“Arthur Lewis in the Twenty-First Century: Growth and Structural Transformation in Emerging Economies”

A conference to celebrate the centenary of Sir W Arthur Lewis, 1915 - 1991.

William Arthur Lewis was the Stanley Jevons Professor of Political Economy at the Victoria University of Manchester, in the Faculty of Economic and Social Studies, from 1948 until 1957.

During this time, he published his seminal work in Development and Growth Economics for which he was awarded the Nobel Memorial Prize in Economics in 1979, jointly with Theodore Schultz.

Do you have questions about Arthur Lewis Centenary Conference? Contact [IDPM and Department Of Economics, University of Manchester](#)

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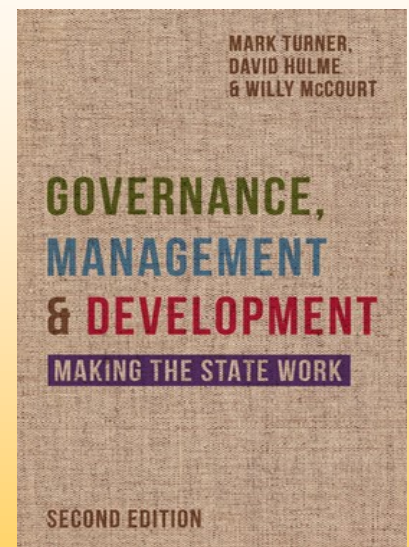
[Barrientos](#), A. and Villa, J.M. [2015] Evaluating antipoverty transfer programmes in Latin America and Sub-Saharan Africa. Better Policies? Better Politics? in *Journal of Globalization and Development* 6(1): 147–179.

[Barrientos](#), A. and Telić Simunovic, A. [2015] Child poverty reduction in Brazil: reversing Bismarck?, in *Theoretical and Empirical Insights in to Child and Family Poverty: Cross national perspectives*, edited by Elizabeth Fernandez, Cinzia Canali, Tiziano Vecchiato and Anat Zeira, Sydney: Springer, pp. 159-174 .

Read Pablo Yanguas and David Hulme’s article in *World Development* - free until 29th July 2015 [‘Barriers to Political Analysis in Aid Bureaucracies: From Principle to Practice in DFID and the World Bank’](#)

Publications

Out soon:
[Governance, Management and Development: Making the State Work](#) (second edition)





Opportunities

[Research Associate](#)

This post is available for a fixed period of 24 months.

The Archaeology of Agricultural Resilience in Eastern Africa (AAREA) project is funded by a European Research Council 'Starting Grant', and is hosted by the Department of Archaeology at the University of York in partnership with the Environment Department, York, and the Geography Department at Durham University, with research collaborators across Europe and east Africa. The [project seeks to create a post at Research Associate level focussed on communicating](#) the results of research on sustainable agriculture and ecology in east Africa. If interested, you must be able to communicate to both specialist and non-technical audiences. You will be expected to participate actively in the planning and management of the AAREA research project and the wider [KITE research group](#). Informal enquiries may be directed to Dr Rob Marchant (robert.marchant@york.ac.uk) or Dr Daryl Stump (Daryl.stump@york.ac.uk)

[Writing competition for PhD students](#)

The Economic and Social Research Council has launched its writing competition for PhD students, with up to £1,000 to be won for writing 800 words on the theme of 'The World in 2065'. The deadline is 4pm on the 15th July. See details [here](#).

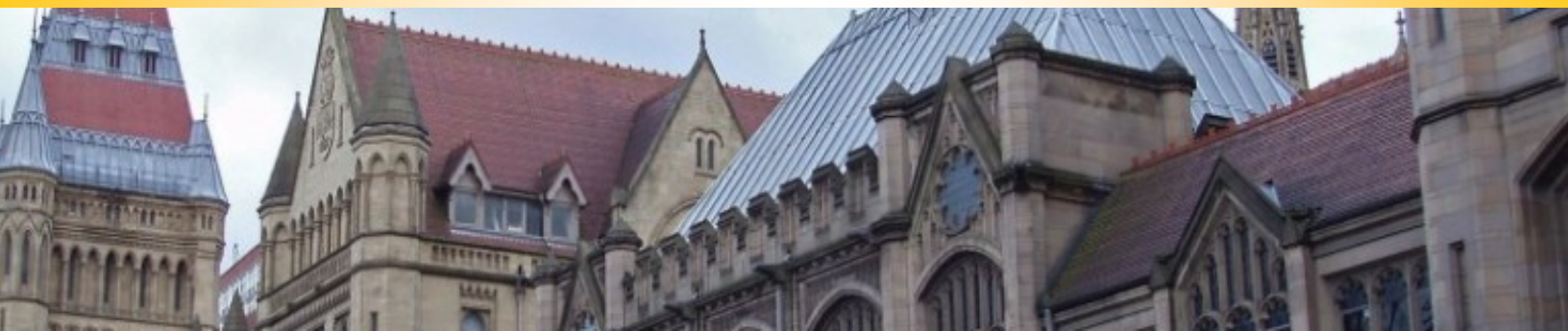
Research Assistant Needed

Needed by a Manchester-based international development consultant, a Research Assistant to help in a literature review. The topic is a cash transfer programme in South Asia which does cash payments to vulnerable families and someone is needed to help look at how the agency doing the cash transfers is addressing complaints from beneficiaries. The research is to help the agency improve its processes. It will be a few days of home-based paid work to be undertaken during June and July. If interested, please contact email Ali at dast17@hotmail.com for further information

[Communications and Uptake Officer](#)

Fixed term from 1 August 2015 to 31 March 2017

The Effective States and Inclusive Development research centre is [seeking a Communications and Uptake Officer](#). [This post offers the opportunity to manage a wide range of communications and](#) uptake activities, working with a range of international partners. Playing a key role in this busy team and working closely with the Programme and Uptake Manager, this role requires the ability to work at both the strategic and operational levels – and with a wide range of colleagues, project partners, funders and other external stakeholders. The post holder will also be responsible for monitoring the impact of those strategies. [See further information here](#) and [apply for the job](#) here



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The [Humanitarian and Conflict Response Institute \(HCRI\)](#) is inspired by the need to conduct rigorous research and to support postgraduate training on the impact and outcomes of contemporary and historical crises.



The [Brooks World Poverty Institute \(BWPI\)](#) is an international centre of excellence established to create and share knowledge to end poverty, in both North and South, and to shape policies that deliver real gains for people in poverty.

If you have an article that you would like included in the next issue of [Development@Manchester](#) please forward the information to either:

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