

Core Course Applicant Frequently Asked Questions

The World Bank's Social Protection and Labor unit core courses draw on worldwide data, analysis and knowledge, and development experience. Featuring experts from the World Bank, top research institutions and other agencies, the courses are designed to provide a solid understanding of the basics of the topic to all participants, address specific issues of framing or implementation, and discuss emerging issues.

What is the course website?

Course websites are available through links at the website <u>www.worldbank.org/sp/corecourse</u>.

How does one apply for the course?

Applications are received at <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/sncc14</u>. The deadline for application is October 10, 2014. Applications are review for completeness, thoroughness, and in light of the overall composition of the course participants.

What is the amount of the tuition fee?

The tuition is \$3500 per participants for representatives of participants from international organizations, donor agencies and others organizations. A subsidized rate of US\$2,500 per participant is offered to government representatives from World Bank client countries: borrowing countries eligible for the subsidized rate are:

- IBRD (<u>http://data.worldbank.org/about/country-and-lending-groups#IBRD</u>)
- IDA (http://data.worldbank.org/about/country-and-lending-groups#IDA)
- Blend (<u>http://data.worldbank.org/about/country-and-lending-groups#Blend</u>)

The fee is payable by wire transfer only. Participants are responsible for their own transportation to and from Washington, D.C., as well as their hotel and subsistence costs. Snacks and beverages are provided periodically during each day of the course. The World Bank has negotiated a group rate with hotels in the Washington area and participants may benefit from these rates on a first come first served basis.

Are there any prerequisites?

No, however, course participants are highly encouraged to complete the distance <u>distance e-learning course</u> - <u>"Introduction to Social Safety Nets"</u>. The course aims to support capacity building and on-the-job training of policy makers, managers and technical staff involved in safety nets and food security policy and implementation.

Are tuition waivers available?

Consideration of tuition waiver requests include evidence of need submitted by a World Bank Task Team Leader on behalf of a government counterpart who works on a World Bank funded project related to the course subject, and who is a member of a country delegation that includes participants whose tuition has been paid. A decision on availability of a very limited number of tuition waivers is made approximately 1 month prior to the start of the course. All other preparations to attend the course (receiving invitation subsequent to course application, request visa, etc.) should be taken, in the event that a waiver can be granted.