1. Concepts of development and emerging issues (1 session)


2. Poverty and inequality (3 sessions)

- Indicators of poverty, vulnerability, and inequality


- Analyses of the determinants of poverty, vulnerability, and inequality

Cameron, Lisa A. “Poverty and inequality in Java: examining the impact of the changing age, educational and industrial structure.” Journal of Development Economics, 2000 June, v63 n1: 149-180


- The controversy on growth and the quality of growth


- Policies to reduce poverty, vulnerability, and inequality: types of programs, targeting of interventions.


• Current approaches: The country poverty assessment reports. Highly Indebted Poor Countries initiative and the development of Poverty Reduction Strategy Papers.


Case study 1: Poverty analysis for Nicaragua.


3. Household income strategies and welfare (2 sessions)

• The theory of household behavior. Responses to market failures: transactions costs of product and factor markets, insurance market failure, credit market failure.


• Empirical analyses of household income strategies: on-farm and off-farm activities


• New approaches to rural development


4. Cost-Benefit analysis for project appraisal (1 session)

• Criteria for project appraisal: economic, financial, and social


• Examples of project appraisal: tractor project in Pakistan, infrastructure investments (World Bank Development Report, 1994)
5. Transactions costs and agrarian institutions: rural microfinance


6. Impact analysis of development projects

