Notice to MRRC researchers about
Examining the Health and Retirement Study (HRS) Workshop
June 8 – 12, 2009

The Health and Retirement Study (HRS) sponsors an annual one-week summer workshop for researchers interested in using the HRS data.

The 2009 workshop will include a special session on HRS retirement wealth data products, which will be of particular interest to MRRC researchers. This session will focus on the imputations of private pension wealth and the newly-available measures of Social Security wealth.

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What happens during the workshop? The workshop introduces participants to all aspects of the HRS data including the design of the survey, an overview of content areas (health, labor supply, cognition, etc.), and a discussion of additional restricted data products such as Social Security earnings histories. The workshop also includes hands-on time in the data lab during which participants may work with guidance from HRS staff on an exercise that will introduce them to the data or may work on their own projects.

Who should take the workshop? The course is intended both for new and experienced users of HRS data. If you are an experienced HRS data user and cannot attend, please consider sending your research assistants or graduate students. This is an ideal opportunity for graduate students interested in retirement/pensions to get to know the HRS!

Are there prerequisites? Working knowledge of a statistical software package (SAS, Stata or SPSS) is required.

When and where: June 8 – 12, 2009
Institute for Social Research
426 Thompson St.
Ann Arbor, MI

For more information or to register, go to http://www.isr.umich.edu/src/si/intro.html. Please note that there is a $550 registration fee.

If you have any questions, please contact Helen Levy: hlevy@umich.edu or (734) 936-4506.