

HEEW Workshop 2026

Helsinki Economics of Education Workshop · 26–27 August 2026

Day 1 — Wednesday, 26 August 2026	
09:00–09:25	Welcome and morning coffee
09:25–09:30	Welcome word
09:30–10:30 Session 1 (V001)	• Mikkel Houmark — <i>Teachers and Inequality in Student Performance – Estimating Value Added and Sorting under Endogenous Mobility</i>, with Mathias Mørk • Ossi Tahvonen — <i>Cash Transfers, Health, and the Transition to Adulthood</i>
10:30–11:00	Coffee break
11:00–12:00 Keynote (V001)	Keynote — Susan Dynarski « Understanding and Reducing Inequality in Education »
12:00–13:30	Lunch in Arvo Restaurant
13:30–14:30 Session 2 (V001)	• Camille Terrier — <i>Fostering Social Integration in the Classroom: Evidence from a Peer-Learning Experiment</i>, with Rustam Hakimov and Fanny Landaud • Libertad Gonzalez — <i>Born Too Soon? The Educational Costs of Early Elective Deliveries</i>, with Parijat Maitra
14:45–15:45 Poster Session (Biz Lounge)	• Aino Kalmbach — <i>Priority Pitfalls: Admission Mechanisms and Educational Outcomes</i> • Rasmus Mellanen — <i>Peer Effects on Educational Choices: Evidence from Finnish Weighted Curriculum Classes</i> • Moritz Mendel — <i>Expectation Formation and Educational Investment: Evidence from Labor Market Shocks</i>, with Alex Armand, Pedro Carneiro, and Alessandro Toppeta • Théophile Mulot — <i>The Role of Parental Role Models in the Gendered Choice of STEM Studies</i>, with Cécile Bonneau • Lachlan Paterson — <i>The Role of Training Providers in Immigrant Integration</i>, with Hanna Pesola and Tuomo Virkola • Arkādijs Zvaigzne — <i>Success Begets Success: The Dynamic Treatment Effects of Financial Aid Tournaments</i>
16:00–17:00 Flashtalk Session 1 — RCT in Finland Education (V001)	• Matti Sarvimäki — <i>Learning to Experiment: Field Experiments in Finnish Education</i> • Anna Holvio — <i>Reading Gains Through Teacher Pairs: A Co-Teaching Experiment</i>, with Hannu Karhunen, Marja-Kristiina Lerkkanen, Matti Sarvimäki, and Minna Torppa • Mikko Silliman — <i>Building a Shared Reality: Social Cohesion in Diverse Classrooms</i>, Michela Carlana, Ellen Sahlström, Matti Sarvimäki, and Marco Tabellini • Maria Sauval — <i>Finding One's Path: Career-Counselor Training and Students' Educational Choices</i>, with Hanna Pesola and Matti Sarvimäki • Ramin Izadi — <i>Reforming Universal Early Childhood Education: Finland's Two-Year Preschool Experiment</i>, with Oskari Harjunen, Anna Holvio and Matti Sarvimäki
19:00	Workshop Dinner for presenters at Yes Yes Yes

Day 2 — Thursday, 27 August 2026

09:00–09:30	Welcome and morning coffee
09:30–10:30 Session 3 (V001)	• Lavinia Kinne — <i>Diversity in Teams and Creative Output</i>, with Raphael Brade and Margaret Leighton • Ellen Sahlström — <i>The Broad Effects of Providing Long-Term Support to Disadvantaged Boys</i>
10:30–11:00	Coffee break
11:00–12:00	Keynote — Kirabo Jackson « The Returns to Public Investment in Children » (V001)
12:00–13:30	Lunch in Arvo Restaurant
13:30–14:30 Flashtalk Session 2 (V001)	• Aspasia Bizopoulou — <i>Fast Transit and Human Capital Accumulation</i>, with Nektarios Aslanidis and Sander Ramboer • Miika Päällysaho — <i>Decomposing Trends in the PISA Study</i>, with Jani Kuhakoski and Roope Uusitalo • Cécile Bonneau — <i>Price of Admission: The Impact of Application Fees on Top Students</i> • Hanna Virtanen — <i>Information Alone Is Not Enough: Randomized Trials of Lifelong Learning Interventions for Low-Educated Adults</i>, with Antti Kauhanen, Hannu Karhunen, Jani Kuhakoski, Krista Riukula, and Tuomo Suhonen
14:30–15:00	Coffee break
15:00–16:00 Session 4 (V001)	• Gregory Veramendi — <i>Smartphones and Childrens' Mental Health</i> • Shushanik Margaryan — <i>Affirmative Action during Early Childhood: School Choice, Academic Performance and School Satisfaction</i>, with José Montalbán
16:00	End of workshop