

## HOW TO APPLY

All applications should be submitted through the online application form on the Economic Policy Research Institute (EPRI) website <http://epri.org.za/what-we-do/courses/capetown/application/>.

Alternatively applicants can download the application from the EPRI website and post, fax or email to [courses@epri.org.za](mailto:courses@epri.org.za).

Early application is strongly advised and discounts are available to participants whose completed application is received before the prescribed early bird and advance discount deadlines.

For more information or for queries please visit EPRI's website [www.epri.org.za](http://www.epri.org.za) or contact the Course Coordinator at:

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## FEES AND OTHER COSTS

### • Full 2 week Course - Aug 6 - 17, 2018

Tuition Fees for the two week course including a choice of a specialized module is £2990. The tuition fee includes travel on schedule visits and optional hands-on computer based skills workshops.

### • One week Course - Aug 6 - 10, 2018

If you would only like to apply for the first week core course, the tuition is £1690. The tuition fee also includes travel on schedule visits and optional hands-on computer based skills workshops.

### • Specialised Modules Only - Aug 13 - 17, 2018

Tuition fees to attend one of the five-day specialized modules is £1690. The tuition fee includes travel on schedule visits and optional hands-on computer based skills workshops.

## ACCOMMODATION

The comprehensive accommodation is inclusive of accommodation in a four star facility, three meals per day and teas, per diems, airport transfers, use of included facilities and recreational activities and tours. The fees do not include international travel to and from Cape Town, South Africa. The fees breakdown are as follows:

- Two week course - £1570 (13 nights accommodation)
- One week course - £870 (6 nights accommodation)

For those participants who wish to arrange their own accommodation, the course facilities fee is £540 for the two week course and £300 for the one week course. The facilities fee covers your conference package and associated elements.

## EARLY BIRD AND ADVANCE DISCOUNTS

**Early Bird Discount:** A £200 early bird discount off the tuition fees is available to participants who pre-enroll for the full two weeks course at least three (3) months prior to the start date of the course. To qualify, applications and payments must be made by the **30<sup>th</sup> of April 2018**. Enrollments received after the early bird deadline are subject to either advance discount or standard fees.

**Advance Discount:** A £100 discount off tuition fees is given to participants who enroll and pay at least six (6) weeks prior to the start date of the course. To qualify, applications and payments must be made by the **31st May 2018**. Enrollments received after the advance deadline are subject to standard fees.

## GROUP BOOKING DISCOUNTS

For every five full paying participants (tuition and accommodation package), we will waive the tuition fee for the fifth person, with a 20% discount on tuition for every full paying participant thereafter (20% discount on tuition for the 6th full paying participant, 20% discount for the 7th full paying participant and so on).

For a group of four full paying participants (tuition and accommodation package), there is a 15% discount on tuition for the group.

## PARTNERS

This course is offered by the Economic Policy Research Institute (EPRI) in partnership with the UNU-MERIT and the Institute of Development Studies (IDS).

**The Economic Policy Research Institute (EPRI)** is a global research institute based in Cape Town, South Africa. It's a not-for profit and non-governmental organization with extensive experience in social protection capacity building, research, and policy advisory work.

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# Designing and Implementing Social Protection Programmes



A course for policymakers, government officials and practitioners around the world

Cape Town, South Africa  
6 - 17 August 2018

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## ABOUT THE COURSE

Around the world, developing countries are increasingly recognising the value of social protection programmes in reducing extreme poverty, with success stories in Africa, Asia, and Latin America. The Economic Policy Research Institute (EPRI), together with the UNU-MERIT/Maastricht Graduate School of Governance and the Institute of Development Studies (IDS), is offering a two-week course including a number of specialised modules aimed at providing participants with an in-depth understanding of the conceptual and practical issues involved in the development of social transfer programmes. Participants will acquire tools required for the appropriate identification and successful design and implementation of these programmes.

## WHO IS IT FOR?

The course aims to build the capacity of government policymakers and officials, representatives from bilateral and multilateral agencies, programme practitioners and staff members from non-governmental organisations. The course will serve those who want to more effectively design, implement and manage social transfer programmes with the goal of reducing poverty and better achieving the Sustainable Development Goals.

## HOW PARTICIPANTS WILL BENEFIT

At the end of these courses, the successful participant will better understand the comprehensive approach to social protection and how appropriate cash transfer instruments can reduce poverty and vulnerability and promote developmental outcomes. These courses will reinforce the skills required to identify, design and implement effective social protection programmes. A team of international experts, skilled professionals and leaders in the field will teach the course. The certificated course will be jointly accredited by the UNU-MERIT/Maastricht Graduate School of Governance, and the Economic Policy Research Institute.

## WHAT THE COURSE WILL COVER

The first five days of the course includes a coordinated series of theme-oriented sessions, practical skills-building workshops, field trips to visit social transfer sites and relevant technical skills training. The course will be taught using formal lectures, practical case studies and hands-on exercises.

Topics will include:

- The role of cash transfers in reducing poverty, vulnerability and social exclusion
- The identification of appropriate social transfer instruments for specific country contexts
- The design of cash transfer programmes
- Implementation issues, including registration, targeting, payment and information systems
- Monitoring and evaluation approaches for social transfer programmes
- Case studies of successful programmes around the world
- Field trips to see South Africa's social transfer system in action

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For more detail of the two week course, please visit: <http://epri.org.za/what-we-do/courses/>

## CHOOSE A SPECIALISATION

During the second week of the course, participants will choose one of several intensive, five-day modules on a specialised topic. Offerings may vary based on demand and enrolment numbers, but typical options include:



### SOCIAL PROTECTION POLICY

This module exposes the participants to the policymaking process for social protection. Drawing on case studies and policymaking theory, participants will discuss the different components of policy documents, taking into consideration the political economy, policy-relevant evidence, and other contextual issues. The module equips participants with a framework for developing and analysing social protection policies and lets them view such policies in an international perspective.



### FINANCIAL INCLUSION AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY: LINKAGES TO SOCIAL PROTECTION

This module provides participants with an in-depth and practical understanding of how new and existing social transfer programmes can be designed and implemented so as to promote livelihoods, increase financial inclusion, and achieve developmental outcomes. The module will detail successful international case studies and this will be applied within an evidence building framework to identify workable approaches for different country contexts.



### MONITORING AND EVALUATING SOCIAL PROTECTION

This course offers its participants an in-depth practical understanding of how monitoring and impact assessment can be used to evaluate programme success. Participants will consider alternative monitoring and evaluation designs including quantitative, qualitative and integrated approaches. They will study evidence-building pilots as tools for policy innovation, how evidence from monitoring and evaluation exercises can be communicated to key decision makers to build support for programmes, and the use of technology to improve M&E outcomes.

The specialised modules can be taken as part of the two-week course, or as standalone, advanced topic courses. Graduates of past courses and/or people with extensive social protection experience can elect to attend a specialised module only. For more detail of the specialized modules please visit: <http://epri.org.za/what-we-do/courses/special-topics/>

