Early Childhood Interventions
The Early Childhood Interventions Network (ECI) investigates the early origins of inequality and its lifetime consequences.

Network Leaders:
Pia Britto | Flavio Cunha | James J. Heckman | Petra Todd

Family Inequality
The Family Inequality Network (FI) focuses on the interactions among family members to understand the well-being of children and their parents.

Network Leaders:
Pierre-André Chiappori | Marco Cosconati | Flavio Cunha

Health Inequality
The Health Inequality Network (HI) unifies several disciplines into a comprehensive framework for understanding health disparities over the lifecycle.

Network Leaders:
James J. Heckman (Interim Co-Leader) | Burton Singer

Identity and Personality
The Identity and Personality Network (IP) studies the reciprocal relationship between individual differences in economic, social, and health outcomes.

Network Leaders:
Angela Duckworth | Armin Falk | Joseph Kable | Tim Kautz | Rachel Kranton

Inequality: Measurement, Interpretation, & Policy
The Inequality: Measurement, Interpretation, and Policy Network (MIP) studies policies designed to reduce inequality and boost individual flourishing.

Network Leaders:
Robert W. Dugger | Steven N. Durlauf | Scott Cubas Kominers | Richard H. Review

Markets
The Markets Network (M) investigates human capital financing over the lifecycle.

Network Leaders:
Aloisio Araujo | Dean Corbae | Lance Lochner | Mariacristina De Nardi

Members in 29 Countries

67 Events in 11 Countries
ABOUT US
HCEO is led by Nobel laureate James J. Heckman, the Henry Schultz Distinguished Service Professor of Economics at the University of Chicago; Steven N. Durlauf, the Vilas Research Professor and Kenneth J. Arrow Professor of Economics at the University of Wisconsin–Madison; and Robert H. Dugger, the co-founder of ReadyNation and Hanover Provident Capital.

The organization focuses its efforts through six research networks that focus on the most pressing issues within human capital development. Founded in 2010, the Human Capital and Economic Opportunity Global Working Group (HCEO) is a collaboration of over 400 researchers, educators, and policy makers focused on human capital development and its impact on opportunity inequality. HCEO’s unique approach enables collaboration among scholars with varying disciplines, approaches, perspectives, and fields. This means the integration of biological, sociological, psychological perspectives into traditionally economic questions. The result is innovative thinking and approaches to inequality and human capital development research.

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