

Paper development workshop: causal inference methods

This paper development workshop is aimed at doctoral students in the LMU SOM MBR program who have successfully completed the MBR Quantitative Methods course. The workshop provides an opportunity to present and receive feedback on empirical research projects across any field of study.

Paper requirements: Papers should be empirical studies using regression-based methods to identify causal effects of interest, including but not limited to:

- Selection on observables (matching, doubly robust estimators (e.g. AIPW))
- Methods accounting for unobservable confounders (difference-in-differences, panel regression, instrumental variables)

The workshop will consist of three sessions (4 papers per session, 60min per paper, maximum 12 papers total). We welcome papers at different stages of development - from early drafts to near-submission manuscripts.

Workshop format:

- Each paper will have an assigned discussant who provides structured feedback, in addition to group discussion.
- All participants must circulate their papers two weeks before the first session
- All participants are expected to read all papers thoroughly before the workshop
- An optional follow-up session will be offered at the end of the semester to discuss revision progress

Participation counts toward MBR credits (**B/I or B/II course, 2 SWS**). The workshop is also open for postdocs if there are any remaining slots (“first come, first served”).

Papers must be submitted by April 15th, 2026 by e-mail to muehlemann@lmu.de.

The three sessions will take place on May 5th, May 12th and May 18th 2026 from 9h-13h.

Location: Room A329, Ludwigstr.28/RG