

Request #: 481 - HDFS - Dissertation

Transmission of Morals & Values

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Background

Multipaper dissertation. Understanding the parenting practices that are used to transmit targeted values to their children.

Paper one addresses the development of a new scale with exploratory and confirmatory factor analyses.

Paper two looks at understanding any latent profiles based on the new instrument.

Paper three examines a theoretical model of how parents' targeted values influences their parenting style, parenting practices (as measured by new instrument) and child reception of those targeted values.

Sample

Sample 1: About 500 student responses on draft measure used for factor analyses.

Sample 2: About 450 additional student responses on revised measure with some additional measures that could be used to establish validity or better understand any latent profiles.

Sample 3: 250 matched dyads of USU students and their parents on the measure and other measures of family functioning.

Sample 4: 250 matched dyads of Italian college students and their parents similar in construction to sample 3.

Hypothesis

1. What are the underlying factors from the draft measure that can be extracted into subscales?
2. What is the nature of any latent profiles as measured by this new measure?
3. How do parents adjust their parenting practices and style based on their values they have targeted from transmission to their children?

Progress

I have cleaned the first sample and used it for the factor analyses.

Due to needing additional information and direction, the other samples are pretty raw.

Request

Advice with how to proceed with looking at the latent profiles identified by the new measure.

Assistance with how to proceed with analyzing the values data that we have collected. Any suggestions for relevant R packages or approaches would be appreciated.

Assistance with testing the theoretical model of the third paper. Any suggestions for relevant R packages or approaches would be appreciated.

Timeline

Honestly, its pretty open ended. Shooting to propose to my committee in a few months. Would like to have finished the analyses and defend in March 2021.