

CCI-3 RESERVES AND THE LIFECOURSE: ACCUMULATION AND ACTIVATION

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Abstract: This module presents the LIVES Cross-Cutting Issue 3 (CCI-3) approach of long term life course processes based on the concept of reserves. It stresses the advantages of such concept in life course studies, in comparison with related concepts such as resources and capital. Three dimensions of reserves are of peculiar importance: (1) their constitution and sustainability by behaviours (the “use it or lose it” paradigm), (2) the presence of thresholds, below which functioning become highly challenging, and (3) their activation in practices and activities. The module will exemplify the potential of the concept with empirical illustrations. The participants will get a broader understanding of the concept of reserves, which will enable them to fruitfully use it in their own research.

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