

Understanding Poverty and Inequality in South Africa

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Grappling with poverty and inequality, two of the key challenges facing South Africa, lies at the heart of most of government's work. Inequalities between social classes and countries combine with discrimination based on gender, race, culture and sexual orientation to form patterns of poverty and exclusion that pervade the world today and characterize South Africa. Poverty is driven by inequality and cannot be addressed without resolving the root causes of inequality. Dealing with poverty and inequality poses a complex social and economic challenge, for which there is no silver bullet.

The course provides participants with an overview of the issues and key considerations, and focuses on possible levers of change and effective strategies for combating poverty and inequality.



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