Agent-Based Computational Sociology

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Time: 14:15-15:45
Location: 1 West North, 2.4 (University of Bath)
Title: Agent-Based Computational Sociology

Flaminio Squazzoni (University of Brescia) is author of *Agent-Based Computational Sociology*, recently published by Wiley (and just purchased by the University Library: 301.01 SQU). His book explores long-standing questions in sociology, concerned with the relationship between agency, micro-interaction and macro-social patterns.

There is of course already a considerable literature on such ‘agent-based modelling’. There is for example a *Journal of Artificial Societies and Social Simulation*, edited from the Sociology Department at Surrey. Most of the content pays little attention however to empirical enquiry and to the linkages between mainstream methods of sociological enquiry and computational methods. This is Squazzoni’s concern.

The seminar is intended primarily for social scientists, although colleagues from elsewhere in the University are welcome. No expertise in computational methods will be assumed.

For more information on Flaminio Squazzoni’s work visit the University of Brescia website.

For further information about the seminar contact Professor Graham Room.