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| Project Proposal Form | | | | | | |
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| Unit | P301 - Dissertation | |  |  | |  |
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| Proposed project title | | To what extent does the UK’s economic growth fuel rising wealth inequality and is this a burden on socio economic development? | | | |  |
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| Section One: Title, objective, responsibilities | | | | | | |



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| Working title of project in the form of a question:  To what extent does the UK’s economic growth fuel rising wealth inequality and is this a burden on socio economic development?  Objectives:   * **What other questions do you want to answer? What do you want to find out?** * How everyday life is impacted by wealth inequality – what’s the level of impact on our towns and cities? What would life be like if there was an equal split of income? Would anything be worse? * Why the issue is getting worse? Is it like this in other countries in similar positions, if not why? * Are there any positives to having a wealth inequality in a country? Do countries need high wealth individuals to attract investment, if countries with low wealth inequality are worse/ better off and if it’s a causation or correlation * How have other countries tried to resolve the issue and has it worked, its important to look at countries with low wealth inequality and look as to why wealth distribution is better as there might be policies that the UK can copy and test to see if they can work here to. * What % of all wealth do the top 1% share, how much land do they own? Can wealth inequality over shores affect wealth inequality here? * Why growth has a positive correlation with wealth inequality, is it like this everywhere else? * What do you want to learn how to do?   Use a Gant chart and plan my time effectively, I’m interested to see if I will be able to stick to a rigid plan for the entirety of the project or if I I will have to change it as time goes on. I want to find ways of presenting my data as well, due to the quantitative nature of my data its important I use graphs and plotting to best represent the data at hand.  Collate all my data & evidence and use it in my final argument to come to a valid and supported conclusion. It’s important that I ultimately answer my question and find out the level of impact high wealth inequality really has.  To do this I will need to find data from different sources that correlate and paint a similar picture.  This is an individual project. | | |
| Section Two: Reasons for choosing this project | | |
| * Personal interest   over time I have developed a strong interest in money and how wealth is scattered across society, especially with the top 1%. In a capitalist society profit is normally the sole objective so “how 1% can influence the majority of society” is a question that intrigues me and I feel important to address as the 1% becomes a tighter web of the elite and powerful oligarchs.  Through starting A level economics, we quickly learnt about key macroeconomic targets including wealth inequality and economic growth, we were given research tasks where I found Garys Economics, a YouTube channel discussing the 1% and how as time went on their wealth only grew as the middle class shrunk and lower classes grew. Its because of these videos my interest has increased, I’ve continued to learn about economic growth a how it correlates with wealth inequality, so this seemed like a great way to showcase my findings.     |  | | --- | |  |   Why the topic is important and of interest  **The distribution of wealth in society impacts us all, and as wealth inequality increases the effects become more apparent, it disproportionately affects poorest in society most, increasing homelessness, depression and unemployment causing the erosion of community.**  **In recent years, the gap between the wealthiest and the rest of society has increased, making wealth inequality one of the most pressing socio-economic issues and so, its important so analyse how a progressing economy fuels this disparity, and what the total impact of it actually is.**   * **Links to other subjects you are studying**   **Linked intrinsically to economics and economic theory including macro economic objectives as well as income and wealth**   * **Future plans**   **I want to apply my interest in economics and finance to pursue a degree apprenticeship that involves both disciplines or to progress to a research backed university (Russel group) where I can specialise in one of those fields. This project is an opportunity for me to build upon my understanding of the environment I aim to work in, in future helping me stand out in academic study and future career paths.**   * Knowledge and skills you want to improve   I want to improve my ability to find and then articulate data, as it will be important to be able to present data s in future presentations in either of my future prospects. I also want to improve my general knowledge around the impact of wealth inequality on everyday life.  I also want to improve my presenting skills, this will happen later down the line when I do my presentation to the group but its something to keep in mind as I prepare as I haven’t ever done much public speaking so it’s a skill I wish to grow. | | |
| Section Three: Activities and timescales | |  |
| Activities to be carried out (e.g., research, development and analysis of ideas, writing, data collection, numerical analysis, production of final outcome, administration, evaluation, preparing for the presentation, etc.):   1. Research   This will be narrowing down my idea for a question, within my theme of wealth inequality, and once I have pinpointed my question, I will look at gathering a large collection of media, containing information on UK wealth inequality and economic growth in the UK within the last 50 years, I will use different types of media in order to remove possible biases as well as to get a large base of data that can help me begin my project   1. Bibliography   I plan to update this throughout my project, aiming to update it at least every fortnight, but hopefully every week. This will allow me to reference my sources later down the line and have clear well established notes   1. Draft project proposal form   In completing my project proposal form I have been able to begin collecting media such as articles, YouTube videos and podcasts containing different takes and valuable data I will use later in my project, furthermore I’ve had to explore my topic in depth, developing more questions branching off of my original one. | | Time allocation:  35 hours  9 weeks  30 mins (total)  Per week  10 hours  3 weeks – due 23rd June |
| **Milestone One:** | **To have a significant amount of my project produced for the ‘Work in Progress’ deadline** | |
| **Target date:** |  | |
| **Milestone Two:** | **Complete and hand in a final whole draft of essay** | |
| **Target date:** |  | |

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| **Section Four: Resources** |
| **What resources will you need:**   * Libraries   Seaford Library  Newhaven Library  Brighton Jubilee Library  Bhasvic Library  University of Sussex Library   * Books   Marc Rich, the king of oil  The trading game – ( Garys economics)  The wealth hoarders – chuck Collins   * Journals and newspapers   LSE, 2024 — “Why Wealth Inequality Matters - [Why-wealth-inequality-matters-PRINT97.pdf](https://www.lse.ac.uk/International-Inequalities/Assets/Documents/Why-wealth-inequality-matters-PRINT97.pdf)  LSE blog – why it matters and what to do about it! [Why wealth inequality matters – and what to do about it! - LSE Inequalities](https://blogs.lse.ac.uk/inequalities/2024/02/20/why-wealth-inequality-matters/)   * Websites   The economist - [How to invest your enormous inheritance](https://www.economist.com/finance-and-economics/2025/06/12/how-to-invest-your-enormous-inheritance)  Is higher inequality the price America pays for faster growth?- the economist - [Is higher inequality the price America pays for faster growth?](https://www.economist.com/special-report/2024/10/14/is-higher-inequality-the-price-america-pays-for-faster-growth)   * TV and radio   The Rest is money – podcast  [Stream Macro Musings music | Listen to songs, albums, playlists for free on SoundCloud](https://soundcloud.com/macro-musings) – Macro musing ;   * Other, e.g. computer access   **YouTube Channels:**  [Welcome to GarysEconomics](https://www.youtube.com/@garyseconomics) – garys economics  [(9) TLDR News - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/@TLDRnews) - **TLDR News** |
| **Areas your research will cover:**  **Background information and research:**        **Issues for debate and discussion:**  **Core question: To what extent does the UK’s economic growth fuel rising wealth inequality and is this a burden on socio economic development?**     * I will assess how wealth inequality in the uk has grown in the past (in the uk) and see if it correlates with the Uks growth rate. * The issues with high wealth inequality, what groups are effected the most and why this is * What are some ideas/ taxes proposed to improve equality, how have the super rich blocked this in the past * Debate whether we should all be equal/ earn equal incomes, how has communism performed in the past * Whether we should be using wealth inequality as a measure of growth at all, and how it compares to other measures |
| **Comments and agreement from tutor-assessor** |
| Is the learner taking this project as part of the Diploma? No  If yes, which Diploma are they taking? NOT APPLICABLE  Is project derived from work which has been/will be submitted for another qualification? No  Which qualification (title and unit)? NOT APPLICABLE  I confirm that the project is not work which has been or will be submitted for another qualification and is appropriate.  Agreed: (name) (date) |
| **Comments and agreement from project proposal checker** |
| I confirm that the project is appropriate.  Agreed: (name) (date) |