Class Meetings: 19 W 4th Street Room 624, from 2:30-4:30

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Overview

This course will cover topics in development economics and methods for empirical micro. This class is designed to resemble the work of academic economists: reading and writing papers. I hope that you enjoy the readings, and that you will learn both topics and techniques for writing your own papers.

Requirements and Grading

There are four types of assignments for the course: short responses to readings, referee reports, a replication, and an original research proposal.

- By 8am before each class, students should send me a summary of one of the required readings for the class. The summary should cover the following:
 - What are the main findings of the paper? (Don't just copy the abstract/intro/conclusion)
 - What did you like and/or dislike about the paper?
 - How would you have gone about the analysis differently, and/or what types of addditional results do you want to see? (This is the most important section)

These summaries will count for 25% of the final grade, and each should be 1-2 pages. At the start of each class, I will ask someone to summarize the paper for the students who focused on the other one.

You should write three mock referee reports for recent working papers on development economics.¹ At the beginning of the semester, you should email me the bespoke due-dates you would like for your referee reports. At least one of those deadlines should be before Spring Break. Guidelines for referee reports can be found here. It is easy to point out shortcomings, so you should also lay out realistic, detailed, and constructive suggestions.

The referee reports will count for 25% of the final grade, and each should be around 3 pages.

• You should replicate a paper. You can pick any paper that interests you, but you should not replicate a paper you refereed. Your replication should discuss if the paper's results are robust to alternative assumptions/empirical approaches (and if you can reproduce the original results), and you should try to extend the results in directions you find interesting.²

The replication will count for 25% of your final grade.

• On March 21, there are no readings for the class. Instead, you should hand-in a 6+ page research proposal, and the class will consist of student presentations. I hope to meet with each of you to discuss your projects before this date. Afterwards, you will give a peer review to one of the other students' proposal (you can make your own teams).

The outline/presentation will count for a quarter of your final grade

The final 25% of the grade is based on class participation and your peer review.

Attendance/Participation

Don't be late. Act with integrity.³ I'm hoping that we can have good class discussions, which depends on you having done the reading before class.

¹Ideally, you should choose job market papers from this year or last year.

²Most journals in the social sciences have a replication policy, but the goal of this assignment is to help you learn the nuts and bolts of doing research. Downloading data & code from the internet and verifying that it runs isn't that helpful for you. Try to see if you can redo the data collection/cleaning and the code for the analysis yourself. You do not have to write a pre-analysis plan for your replication, but you might want to.

³More information on the expectations for academic integrity at NYU can be found here: http://gsas.nyu.edu/page/academic.integrity.

Course Calendar

The calendar may be adjusted depending on our progress, and readings may be replaced based on class interests. The required readings are starred.

1 January 23: Introduction

- P. Krugman. THE FALL AND RISE OF DEVELOPMENT ECONOMICS. In *Development*, *Geography and Economic Theory*, chapter 1. 1995
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2 January 30: Human Capital: Education

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- R. Jensen. Do Labor Market Opportunities Affect Young Women's Work and Family Decisions? Experimental Evidence from India. *The Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 127(2):753–792, 2012

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- A. B. Krueger and M. Lindahl. Education for Growth: Why and for Whom? *Journal of Economic Literature*, 39(4):1101–1136, 2001
- D. Lagakos, B. Moll, T. Porzio, N. Qian, and T. Schoellman. Life-Cycle Wage Growth Across Countries. *Journal of Political Economy*, 2016
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- R. Nelson and E. Phelps. Investment in Humans, Technological Diffusion, and Economic Growth. *The American Economic Review*, 56(1/2):69–75, 1966

3 February 6: Technology Adoption

- * A. D. Foster and M. R. Rosenzweig. Learning by Doing and Learning from Others: Human Capital and Technical Change in Agriculture. *Journal of Political Economy*, 103(6):1176–1209, 1995
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6 February 27: Behavioral

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