

Tutorial 11 - ECON3360

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Tutor Surveys



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Problem I - Q6

- ▶ Individuals at top income levels generally have higher education.
- ▶ Each extra year of education yields higher incomes at the top than the bottom.
- ▶ The difference due to education in income has increased over time.
- ▶ Likely increase in income inequality.

Problem 2: Background

- ▶ Challenge: Declining university student performance.
- ▶ High priority concern for educational policymakers.
- ▶ Gaining traction as a pivotal research area in economic studies.
- ▶ Major hypotheses for the performance decline:
 - ▶ Lack of information and support
 - ▶ Lack of motivation
- ▶ The question: What interventions can reverse this trend?

Problem 2: An Empirical Approach

- ▶ Focus: Effects of academic services and monetary incentives.
- ▶ Venue: A Canadian university.
- ▶ Demographics: Predominantly local students sharing similar secondary education backgrounds.
- ▶ Study design:
 - ▶ Rigorous random assignment to one of three intervention groups or a control group.
 - ▶ High-achieving students (top-quartile GPA) exempted.
- ▶ Interventions:
 - ▶ Comprehensive academic support services (SSP).
 - ▶ Generous cash awards tied to GPA achievement (SFP).
 - ▶ A combination of support services and financial incentives (SFSP).