ECO 981 JIW Meeting #2

Presentation Guidelines

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▶ Meeting: Monday, November 9th

- > 3:00-4:00 PM (EST): Ana, Charlotte, Caren, Victoria, Joseph
- ▶ 4:15-5:15 PM (EST): Jeremie, Ivan, Daniel, Emiri
- ▶ Zoom link for both sessions: https://princeton.zoom.us/j/98843880599

► Goal/content: student presentations

- ▶ Remind us what your research project is about
- Present to the class what you have done so far on that project
- ▶ Lay out what your next steps are

Presentation duration:

- ▶ 12 minutes per student
- $\,\,{}^{\triangleright}\,$ including questions and feedback from the class
- ightarrow \Rightarrow prepare to present for approximately 8 minutes

Presentation: Tips

▶ General tips:

- ▶ Prepare presentation slides (easier to follow for both the speaker and the audience)
- Better to finish a few days before your talk so you have time to get feedback and practice (see below)
- ▶ Don't get too stressed out about it not graded so no big stakes after all!
- Remember to take notes during your presentation whenever the audience asks questions you can't answer on the spot and/or makes relevant suggestions

► While making your slides:

- Try to follow the structure laid out in the next couple of slides, but feel free to adjust as you think is relevant
- ▶ Avoid having too much text on a given slide (like this one...)
- ▶ Try to anticipate potential questions the class might ask you (and prepare answers for them!)

► Once you have finished your slides:

- ▶ Practice!! You should aim to present for roughly 8 minutes
- ▶ I am happy to review slides and provide feedback, as long as they are sent to me by email by Saturday, November 7th, 7:00 PM (EST)

Presentation: Structure

► Introduction (1-2 slide(s)):

- ▶ Research question: Clearly state your research question
- ▶ Context: What is the context/background you will be focusing on?
- ▶ Motivation: Why is your project important/relevant? Why should we care about it?

Note: Feel free to re-order and/or combine the "items" in that introduction section

► Literature review (1-2 slide(s)):

- Summary: Briefly summarize the past studies that are relevant and/or closely related to your project
- ➤ Contribution(s): Specify how your project differs from past studies and what it adds to the literature

Presentation: Structure (cont'd)

► Data (1-2 slide(s)):

- ▷ Source(s): name the data source(s) you plan to use
- ▶ Type: panel/longitudinal, repeated cross-section, or cross-section data?
- ▶ Time period: what is the time period for your analysis sample?
- ▶ Variables: what are the (key) explanatory and outcome variables you plan to use?

▶ Research design (1 slide):

- ▶ Empirical strategy: explain your identification strategy (e.g., difference-in-differences, instrumental variable, regression discontinuity design, event study)
- ▶ Econometric specification(s): write down the main econometric specification(s) you would like to estimate and describe it (including its identifying assumptions), and ideally discuss potential caveats

Expected results and next steps (1 slide):

- ▶ What results do you expect, and why (any economic intuition behind?)?
- ▶ What are your next steps?

