

Homework #3: Growth and Intertemporal Tradeoff

Econ 590: Current Topics in Macro

Due at 11:59 p.m., Friday of Third Week

Choose one of these prompts to respond to. I ask that you respond to the prompt you *disagree* with. E.g. if you think there should be more immigration in the U.S., make the strongest case *against* immigration. If you think there should be less, state the strongest case *for* immigration. . You do not need to worry that I will make policy based on your arguments: one purpose of this homework is to simply practice making the strongest argument *against* your beliefs. The ability to entertain and seriously consider a thought or hypothetical while not holding it to be true is crucial to be able to understand any macro policy, which always have tradeoffs.

For: Increased Immigration in the United States

Please write a page trying to convince someone *not on purely moral grounds* to increase immigration in the United States. Your argument should use cited facts, either from the lecture or from outside the lecture (hyperlink is fine). Target Audience: a US President opposed to immigration but open to facts.

Against: decreased immigration in the United States

Please write a page trying to convince someone *not on purely moral grounds* to decrease or halt immigration in the United States. Your argument should use cited facts, either from the lecture or from outside the lecture (hyperlink is fine). Target Audience: a liberal/libertarian who only sees benefit from immigration.