

Course Title	Development Economics
Course Code	ECO 131
Pre-Requisite	NA
Degree Program (BS / MS / PhD)	BS

Course Objectives

This is an undergraduate course that covers a wide range of issues relevant to emerging countries. The purpose of the course is to provide students with an overview of important topics in development economics. The first part of the course provides an overview of how to measure development, as well as the various theories behind development. The second part of the course introduces students to special topics in development economics such as trade, population, agriculture, education, and health. The third part of the course will discuss the role of aid in development and the measurement of the impact of development aid. Tutorials will focus on the analytical concepts discussed in the lecture and provide practical examples through case studies.

Learning Outcomes

After the completion of the course, the students will be able to:

Demonstrate familiarity with some central themes and issues of economic development. Demonstrate the understanding of the difference between growth and development, major growth theories, the measurement of inequality, significance of agriculture in developing countries, poverty and population issues facing the world, international trade, and importance of foreign aid.

Contents

Week	Topic
1	Introduction and Measurement of Economic Development Readings: Todaro, Chapter 1; Meier, Chapter I
2	Comparative Economic Development Readings: Todaro Chapter 2; Meier Chapter I & II
3 & 4	Theories of Development Readings: Todaro Chapter 3, 4; Meier Chapter I and II

5 & 6	Poverty, Inequality, and Development Readings: Todaro Chapter 5, Meier Chapter VIII
7	Population and Development Readings: Todaro Chapter 6; Meier Chapter IV
8	Urbanization and Migration Readings: Todaro Chapter 7; Meier Chapter VI
9	Mid-term
10 & 11	Human Capital: Education and Health Readings: Todaro Chapter 8; Meier Chapter IV
12	Agriculture and Development Readings: Todaro Chapter 9; Meier Chapter VII
13	Environment and Development Readings: Todaro Chapter 10; Meier Chapter X
14	Trade and Development Readings: Todaro Chapter 12; Meier Chapter III
15	Balance of Payments, Debt, Financial Crises, and Stabilization Policies Readings: Todaro Chapter 13
16	Development Aid Readings: Todaro Chapter 14
17	Finance and Fiscal Policy for Development Readings: Todaro Chapter 15
18	Final Examination

Readings List (including Books, Journals, Papers Articles, & Websites whatever is applicable)

- Textbook: *Todaro, Michael P. and Stephen C. Smith (2014). *Economic Development*, 12th Edition, Person Educational Limited, Harlow.
- Meier, Gerald M. and James E. Rauch (2005). *Leading Issues in Economic Development*, 8th Edition, Oxford University Press, New York.
- Cypher James M. and Dietz James L. (2009). *The Process of Economic Development*, 3rd Edition, Routledge

