

## **The Political Economy of Long-Run Growth and Development**

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This course is intended as an introduction to the political economy of institutions, inequality, and long-run development. The papers will draw from political economy, development economics, and economic history, and will be both theoretical and empirical, but generally “applied”. The material will introduce you to both topics and tools for conducting research in this area and spillovers into other nearby areas of economics such as public finance and labor and maybe even IO. I will cover only a somewhat idiosyncratic subset of the topics, so you are encouraged to talk to me about things on (or off) the syllabus that are not covered in class.

There will be 2 problem set (15% each), a group replication hackathon from November 9-16, where you will have 2 weeks to replicate and nontrivially extend a paper (with data) and present the results on November 30th (25%), and a final paper proposal (20 pages, ideally with some preliminary results) (45%).

The course will assume knowledge of 1st year microeconomics, macroeconomics, and econometrics, including growth theory, game theory and price theory, and how to run regressions. The problem sets will try to introduce you to traditional empirical (and some theoretical) methods in economics, but also some new tools that are useful: for example text analysis, ArcGIS, and how to use these tools to construct and merge together novel datasets.

### **Economic History and Persistence of Economic Under-Development (1 class: Sept 7)**

\*Lowe, Sara, Nathan Nunn, James Robinson, and Jonathan Weigel. [“The Evolution of Culture and Institutions: Evidence from the Kuba Kingdom.”](#) Forthcoming, *Econometrica*.

\*Dell, Melissa, Olken Benjamin. [“The Development Effects of the Extractive Colonial Economy: The Dutch Cultivation System in Java.”](#) Working paper.

Acemoglu, Daron, Simon Johnson, and James A. Robinson. [“Institutions as a Fundamental Cause of Long-Run Growth.”](#) *Handbook of Economic Growth*. Vol. 1. Aghion, Philippe, and Steven N. Durlauf, eds. Amsterdam: Elsevier, 2005. 386-414.

Nunn, Nathan. [“Historical Development.”](#) *Handbook of Economic Growth*, Vol. 2, Philippe Aghion and Steven Durlauf, eds. Elsevier (2014): 347-402.

Acemoglu, Daron, Tristan Reed and James A. Robinson. [“Chiefs: Economic Development and Elite Control of Civil Society in Sierra Leone.”](#) *Journal of Political Economy* 122 (2): 319-368.

Solow, Robert M. "Economic history and economics." *The American Economic Review* 75.2 (1985): 328-331.

Woolcock, Michael, Simon Szreter, and Vijayendra Rao. "How and why does history matter for development policy?." *The Journal of Development Studies* 47.1 (2011): 70-96.

Schirmer, Stefan, Latika Chaudhary, Metin Cosgel, Jean-Luc Demonsant, Johan Fourie, Ewout Frankema, Giampaolo Garzarelli, John Luiz, Martine Mariotti, Grietjie Verhoef, and Se Yan. [“The State and Scope of the Economic](#)

- [History of Developing Regions.](#) *Economic History of Developing Regions* 25.1 (2010): 3-20.
- Dell, Melissa. ["The Persistent Effects of Peru's Mining Mita."](#) *Econometrica* 78.6 (2010): 1863-1903.
- Bertocchi, Graziella, and Arcangelo Dimico. ["Slavery, Education, and Inequality."](#) *European Economic Review* Vol. 70, Issue C (2014): 197-209.
- Acharya, Avidit, Matthew Blackwell, and Maya Sen. ["The Political Legacy of American Slavery."](#) *Journal of Politics* 78(3) (2016): 621-641.
- Naritomi, Joana, Rodrigo R. Soares, and Juliano J. Assunção. ["Institutional Development and Colonial Heritage within Brazil."](#) *The Journal of Economic History* 72.02 (2012): 393-422.
- Dippel, Christian. ["Forced Coexistence and Economic Development: Evidence from Native American Reservations."](#) *Econometrica* Vol. 82 No. 6 (2014): 2131-2165.
- Huillery, Elise. ["History matters: The Long-term Impact of Colonial Public Investments in French West Africa."](#) *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics* 1(2) (2009):176–215.
- Nunn, Nathan and Leonard Wantchekon. ["The Slave Trade and the Origins of Mistrust in Africa."](#) *American Economic Review* 101 (2011): 3221-3252.
- Jia, Ruixue. ["The Legacies of Forced Freedom: China's Treaty Ports."](#) *Review of Economics and Statistics* Vol. 96, No. 4 (2014): 596-608.
- Heinrich, Joseph. *The Secret of Our Success*. Princeton University Press, 2017. Print.
- Escape Routes: Western European Economic Development and The First Industrial Revolution (1/3 class, Sept 14)**
- \*Hanlon, Walker. ["Necessity is the Mother of Invention: Input Supplies and Directed Technical Change."](#) *Econometrica* 83(1) (2015): 67-100.
- Kelly, Morgan and Cormac O Grada. ["Adam Smith, Watch Prices, and the Industrial Revolution."](#) *The Quarterly Journal of Economics* 131(4) (2016): 1727-1752.
- Clark, Gregory. ["The Condition of the Working Class in England, 1209-2004."](#) *Journal of Political Economy* 113(6) (2005): 1307-1340.
- Polanyi, Karl. *The Great Transformation: the Political and Economic Origins of our Time*. Beacon Hill: Beacon Press, 1957. Print.
- Allen, Robert. *The British Industrial Revolution in Global Perspective*. Cambridge University Press, 2009. Print.
- Acemoglu, Daron, Davide Cantoni, Simon Johnson, and James A. Robinson. ["The Consequences of Radical Reform: The French Revolution."](#) *American Economic Review* (2011): 3286-3307.
- Brenner, Robert. ["Agrarian Class Structure and Economic Development in Preindustrial Europe."](#) *Past and Present* (1976): 30-75.

Fouquet, Roger and Stephen Broadberry. "[Seven Centuries of European Economic Growth and Decline.](#)" *Journal of Economic Perspectives* Vol. 29 No. 4 (2015): 227-244

Allen, Robert. "[Engels' pause: Technical change, capital accumulation, and inequality in the British industrial revolution.](#)" *Explorations in Economic History* Vol 46, Issue 4 (2009): 418-435.

Dedeo, Simon, Tim Hitchcock, and Sara Klingenstein. "[The Civilizing Process in London's Old Bailey.](#)" *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America* 111(26) (2014): 9419-9424.

White Jr, Lynn. "[Stirrup, Mounted Shock Combat, Feudalism and Chivalry.](#)" *Medieval Technology and Social Change* (1964): 1-38.

Allen, Robert. "[The Great Divergence in European Wages and Prices from the Middle Ages to the First World War.](#)" *Explorations in Economic History* 38 (2001): 411-447.

### **Enlightenment and Historical Science (1/3 class, Sept 14)**

\*Dittmar, Jeremiah and Siebold, Skipper "[Media, Markets, and Radical Ideas: Evidence from the Protestant Reformation](#)"

\*Squicciarini, Mara and Voigtlander, Nico. "[Human Capital and Industrialization: Evidence from the Age of Enlightenment.](#)" *Quarterly Journal of Economics* 130(4) (2015): 1825-1883.

Mokyr, Joel. "[The Intellectual Origins of Modern Economic Growth.](#)" *The Journal of Economic History* Vol. 65 No. 2 (2005): 285-351.

David, Paul. "[The Historical Origins of Open Science.](#)" *Capitalism and Society* Vol 3(2) (2008): 1-106.

[Mapping the Republic of Letters](#). Stanford University, 2013.

Allan, Colin, Simon Dedeo, Jaimie Murdock. "[Exploration and Exploitation of Victorian Science in Darwin's Reading Notebooks.](#)" *Cognition* 159 (2017): 117-126.

Petra Moser "[Patents and Innovation in Economic History](#). Annual Review of Economics, Volume 8, 2016

### **Agricultural, Commercial and Industrious Revolutions (1/3 class, Sept 14).**

\*Nunn, Nathan and Nancy Qian. "[The Potato's Contribution to Population and Urbanization: Evidence from an Historical Experiment.](#)" *Quarterly Journal of Economics* 126(2) (2011): 593-650.

Cantoni, Davide and Noam Yuchtman. "[Medieval Universities, Legal Institutions, and the Commercial Revolution.](#)" *Quarterly Journal of Economics* 129(2) (2014): 823-887.

Voth, Hans-Joachim. "[Time and Work in Eighteenth-Century London.](#)" *The Journal of Economic History*, Vol. 58, No. 1 (1998): 29-58.

### **Escape Routes: Gershenkronian Developers (.5 class, Sept 21)**

\*Qian, Nancy and Pierre Yared. [“The Institutional Causes of Famine in China, 1959-61.”](#) *The Review of Economic Studies*. 82(4) (2015): 1568-1611.

\*Liu, Ernest. [“Industrial Policies and Economic Development.”](#) Working paper.

\*Lane, Nathan. [“Manufacturing Revolutions: Industrial Policy and Networks in South Korea.”](#) Working paper.

Gerschenkron, Alexander. *Economic Backwardness in Historical Perspective*. Harvard University Press, 1962. Print.

Murphy, Kevin M., Andrei Shleifer, and Robert W. Vishny. "Industrialization and the big push." *Journal of political economy* 97.5 (1989): 1003-1026.

Juhasz, Reka. [“Temporary Protection and Technology Adoption: Evidence from the Napoleonic Blockade.”](#) Working Paper.

Hayek, Friedrich. [“The Use of Knowledge in Society.”](#) *The American Economic Review* 35(4) (1945): 519-530.

Weitzman, Martin. [“Prices vs. Quantities.”](#) *Review of Economic Studies* 41(4) (1974): 477-491

Amsden, Alice. *Asia’s Next Giant: South Korea and Late Industrialization*. Oxford University Press, 1992. Print.

Wade, Robert. *Governing the market: Economic theory and the role of government in East Asian industrialization*. Princeton University Press, 1990. Print.

Montinola, Gabrielle, Yingyi Qian, and Barry Weingast. [“Federalism, Chinese style: the political basis for economic success in China.”](#) *World Politics* Vol. 48, No. 1 (1995): 50-81.

Evans, Peter. *Embedded Autonomy: States and Industrial Transformation*. Princeton University Press, 1995. Print.

Koyama, Mark, Chiaki Moriguchi, and Tuan-Hwee Sng. [“Geopolitics and Asia’s Little Divergence: A Comparative Analysis of State Building in China and Japan after 1850.”](#) Working Paper.

### **Mechanisms: Efficient Institutions, Path Dependence, and Political Economy. (.5 class, Sept 21)**

\*Bleakley, Hoyt and Jeffrey Lin. [“Portage: Path Dependence and Increasing Returns in U.S. History.”](#) *Quarterly Journal of Economics* 127 (2012): 587-644.

\*Krugman, Paul. [“History vs Expectations”](#) *Quarterly Journal of Economics* 106(2) (1991): 651-667.

\*Dell, Melissa. [“Path dependence in development: Evidence from the Mexican Revolution.”](#) Working Paper.

\*Acemoglu, Daron and James Robinson. [“De Facto Political Power and Institutional Persistence.”](#) *American Economic Review* 96(2) (2006): 325-330.

\*Bisin, Alberto and Thierry Verdier. [“On the Joint Evolution of Culture and Institutions.”](#) Working Paper.

Demsetz, Harold. [“Toward a Theory of Property Rights.”](#) *American Economic Review* 57(2) (1967): 347-359.

Marx, Karl. *A Contribution to the Critique of Political Economy*. 1859. (Preface).

Cohen, Gerald Allan. *Karl Marx's theory of history: a defence*. Oxford: Clarendon Press, 2000.

Davis, Donald and Weinstein, David. [“Bombs, Bones, and Breakpoints: The Geography of Economic Activity.”](#) *American Economic Review* 92(5) (2002): 1269-1289.

Mary A. Burke. and Young, H. Peyton [“Competition and Custom in Economic Contracts: a Case Study of Illinois Agriculture.”](#) *American Economic Review* (2001): 559-573.

Young, H. Peyton. [“The Economics of Convention.”](#) *The Journal of Economic Perspectives* (1996): 105-122.

Bowles, Samuel, Sung-Ha Hwang and Suresh Naidu. [“Social Conflict and the Evolution of Conventions.”](#) (2017).

David, Paul A. [“Clio and the Economics of QWERTY.”](#) *American Economic Review* (1985): 332-337.

Liebowitz, Stan J., and Stephen E. Margolis. [“The Fable of the Keys.”](#) *Journal of Law and Economics* (1990): 1-25.

Marx, Karl. [“The 18<sup>th</sup> Brumaire of Louis Napoleon.”](#) 1852. (Chapter 1)

Bleakley, Hoyt and Joseph Ferrie. [“Land Openings on the Georgia Frontier and the Coase Theorem in the Short- and Long-Runs.”](#) (2014). Working Paper.

### **(1 class Sept. 28) Long-run Inequality and Social Mobility**

Handout on Pareto wealth distributions.

\*Piketty, Thomas, and Gabriel Zucman. [“Capital is Back: Wealth-Income Ratios in Rich Countries, 1700-2010.”](#) *The Quarterly Journal of Economics* 129(3) (2014): 1244-1310

\*Bleakley, Hoyt, and Joseph P. Ferrie. [“Shocking Behavior: Random Wealth in Antebellum Georgia and Human Capital Across Generations.”](#) *The Quarterly Journal of Economics* 131(3) (2016): 1455-1495.

\*Feigenbaum, James. [“Intergenerational Mobility during the Great Depression.”](#) Working Paper. 2015.

Also handout on machine learning for record linkage based on this: Feigenbaum, James. [“Automated Census Record Linking: A Machine Learning Approach.”](#) Working Paper. 2016.

Novokmet, Filip, Thomas Piketty and Gabriel Zucman. [“From Soviets to Oligarchs: Inequality and Property in Russia 1905-2016.”](#) Working Paper. 2017.

Piketty, Thomas, Li Yang, Gabriel Zucman. [“Capital accumulation, private property and rising inequality in China, 1978-2015.”](#) Working Paper.

Mangin, Sephorah. [“A Theory of Production, Matching, and Distribution”](#) Working Paper.

Gabaix, Xavier, Jean-Michel Lasry, Pierre-Louis Lions, and Benjamin Moll. [“The Dynamics of Inequality.”](#) *Econometrica* 84(6) (2016): 2071-2111.

Alvaredo, Facundo, Anthony B. Atkinson, Thomas Piketty, and Emmanuel Saez. [“The Top 1 Percent in International and Historical Perspective.”](#) *Journal of Economic Perspectives*. Vol. 27, No. 3 (2013): 3-20.

Roine, Jesper and Daniel Waldenström. [“Long Run Trends in the Distribution of Income.”](#) *Handbook of Income Distribution* (2015): 469-592.

Chetty, Raj, Nathaniel Hendren, Patrick Kline, and Emmanuel Saez. [“Where is the Land of Opportunity? The Geography of Intergenerational Mobility in the United States.”](#) *Quarterly Journal of Economics* 129(4) (2014): 1553-1623.

Alesina, Alberto, Stelios Michalopoulos, and Elias Papaioannou. 2016. [“Ethnic Inequality.”](#) *Journal of Political Economy* 124 (2): 428-488.

Williamson, Jeffrey G. [“Five Centuries of Latin American Income Inequality.”](#) *Revista de Historia Económica/Journal of Iberian and Latin American Economic History (Second Series)* 28.02 (2010): 227-252.

Lindert, Peter, Branko Milanovic and Jeffrey G. Williamson. [“Pre-Industrial Inequality.”](#) *Economic Journal* (2011): 255-272.

Piketty, Thomas. *Capital in the Twenty-first Century*. Harvard University Press, 2014. Print. (No you don't have to read it all, but you probably want to).

Olivetti, Claudia and M. Paserman. [“In the name of the son \(and the daughter\): Intergenerational Mobility in the United States, 1850-1940.”](#) *American Economic Review* 105(8) (2015): 2695-2724.

Collins, Williams and Marianne Wanamaker. [“Up from Slavery? Intergenerational Mobility in the Shadow of Jim Crow.”](#) Working paper. 2015.

Long, Jason, and Joseph Ferrie. [“Intergenerational Occupational Mobility in Great Britain and the United States since 1850.”](#) *The American Economic Review* 103.4 (2013): 1109-1137.

Mulder, Monique, Samuel Bowles, Tom Hertz, et al. [“Intergenerational Wealth Transmission and the Dynamics of Inequality in Small-Scale Societies.”](#) *Science* 326.5953 (2009): 682-688.

Clark, Gregory. *The Son Also Rises: Surnames and the History of Social Mobility*. Princeton University Press, 2014. Print.

Scheidel, Walter. *The Great Leveler: Violence and the History of Inequality from the Stone Age to the Twenty-First Century*. Princeton University Press, 2017. Print.

Lindert, Peter and Jeffrey Williamson. *Unequal Gains: American Growth and Inequality since 1700*. Princeton University Press, 2016. Print.

Milanovic, Branko. *Global Inequality: A New Approach for the Age of Globalization*. Belknap Press, 2016. Print.

### **Costs of Inequality**

\*Alesina, Alberto, and Dani Rodrik. "[Distributive Politics and Economic Growth.](#)" *Quarterly Journal of Economics* (1994): 465-490.

Banerjee, Abhijit, Paul Gertler, and Maitreesh Ghatak. "[Empowerment and Efficiency: Tenancy Reform in West Bengal.](#)" *Journal of Political Economy* Vol. 110, No. 2 (2002): 239-280.

Esteban, Joan, and Debraj Ray. "[Linking Conflict to Inequality and Polarization.](#)" *The American Economic Review* 101.4 (2011): 1345-1374.

Jayadev, Arjun, and Samuel Bowles. "[Guard Labor.](#)" *Journal of Development Economics* 79.2 (2006): 328-348.

### **Democratic Politics**

#### **Political Selection, Constraints, and Redistribution (1 class October 5th)**

Handout on taxation and political models.

\*Persson, Torsten, and Guido Enrico Tabellini. *Political Economics: Explaining Economic Policy*. MIT press, 2002. Print. (Chapters 2, 3.1, 3.2, and 3.3)

\*Lee, David S., Enrico Moretti, and Matthew J. Butler. "[Do Voters Affect or Elect Policies? Evidence from the U.S. House.](#)" *Quarterly Journal of Economics* (2004): 807-859.

\*Fujiwara, Thomas. "[Voting technology, political responsiveness, and infant health: evidence from Brazil.](#)" *Econometrica* Vol. 83, No.2 (2015): 423-464.

Acemoglu, Daron, Suresh Naidu, and Pascual Restrepo. "[Democracy, Redistribution, and Inequality.](#)" *Handbook of Income Distribution*. Vol. 2. Atkinson and Bourguignon, eds. Amsterdam: Elsevier, 2014

Holland, Alisha. "[Forbearance.](#)" *American Political Science Review* 110(2) (2016): 232-246.

#### **Voter turnout, Lobbying, and Vote-Buying (.5 class October 12)**

\*Cruz, Cesi, Julien Labonne, and Pablo Querubin. "[Politician Family Networks and Electoral Outcomes: Evidence from the Philippines](#)" Forthcoming, *American Economic Review*.

\*Spenkuch, Jorg, and David Toniatti. "[Political Advertising and Election Outcomes.](#)" Working Paper.

\*Bertrand, Marianne, Matilde Bombardini, and Francesco Trebbi. 2014. "[Is It Whom You Know or What You Know? An Empirical Assessment of the Lobbying Process.](#)" *American Economic Review*, 104(12): 3885-3920.

\*Vidal, Jordi Blanes I., Mirko Draca, and Christian Fons-Rosen. "[Revolving door lobbyists.](#)" *The American Economic Review* 102.7 (2012): 3731-3748.

\*Baland, Jean-Marie and James Robinson. "[Land and Power: Theory and Evidence from Chile.](#)" *American Economic Review* (2008): 1737–1765.

\*Avis, E., Ferraz, C., Finan, F., & Varjão, C. (2017). *Money and Politics: The Effects of Campaign Spending Limits on Political Competition and Incumbency Advantage* (No. w23508). National Bureau of Economic Research.

Campante, Filipe. "[Redistribution in a Model of Voting and Campaign Contributions](#)" *Journal of Public Economics* 95(7-8): 646-656, August 2011.

Michelson, Melissa R. and David W. Nickerson. "[Voter Mobilization.](#)" *The Cambridge Handbook of Experimental Political Science*. James N. Druckman, Donald P. Green, James H. Kuklinski, and Arthur Lupia (eds.). NY: Cambridge University Press, 2011. 228-240.

Della Vigna, Stefano, John List, Ulrike Malmendier and Gautam Rao. "[Voting to Tell Others.](#)" No. w19832. National Bureau of Economic Research, 2016.

Gerber, Alan S. and Donald P. Green. "[The Effects of Canvassing, Telephone Calls, and Direct Mail on Voter Turnout: A Field Experiment.](#)" *American Political Science Review* (2000): 653-663.

Nannicini, Tommaso, Francesco Trebbi, Chad Kendall, and C. E. S. Seminar. "[How Do Voters Respond to Information? Evidence from a Randomized Campaign.](#)" *American Economic Review* 105(1) (2015): 322-353.

Avis, Eric, Claudio Ferraz, Frederico Finan, and Carlos Varjao. "[Money and Politics: The Effects of Campaign Spending Limits on Political Competition and Incumbency Advantage.](#)" Working Paper.

Drutman, Lee. *The Business of America is Lobbying*. Oxford University Press, 2015. Print.

Baland, Jean-Marie, and James A. Robinson. "[The Political Value of Land: Political Reform and Land Prices in Chile.](#)" *American Journal of Political Science* 56.3 (2012): 601-619.

Hsieh, Chang-Tai, Edward Miguel, Daniel Ortega, and Francisco Rodriguez. "[The Price of Political Opposition: Evidence from Venezuela's Maisanta.](#)" *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics* 3 (2011): 196-214.

Leighley, Jan E., and Jonathan Nagler. "[Unions, Voter Turnout, and Class Bias in the US Electorate, 1964–2004.](#)" *Journal of Politics* 69.2 (2007): 430-441.

Larreguy, Horacio A., Cesar E. Montiel Olea, and Pablo Querubin. "[Political Brokers: Partisans or Agents? Evidence from the Mexican Teacher's Union.](#)" Forthcoming, *American Journal of Political Science*.



### **Ideology/Beliefs (and Text-As-Data) (1 class October 12-19)**

\*Gentzkow, Matthew and Jesse M. Shapiro. [“What Drives Media Slant? Evidence from U.S. Daily Newspapers.”](#) *Econometrica* (2010): 35-71.

\*Benabou, Roland and Efe Ok. [“Social Mobility and the Demand for Redistribution.”](#) *Quarterly Journal of Economics* (2001): 447-487.

\*Benabou, Roland [“Ideology.”](#) *Journal of the European Economic Association* April-May 2008 6(2–3), 321–352.

\*Kuziemko, Ilyana, Michael Norton, Emmanuel Saez, Stefanie Stantcheva. [“How Elastic are Preferences for Redistribution? Evidence from Randomized Survey Experiments.”](#) *American Economic Review* 2015, 105(4): 1478-1508.

Cantoni, Davide, et al. "Curriculum and Ideology." *Journal of Political Economy* 125.2 (2017): 338-392.

\*Bursztyjn et al. (2017) [“Identifying Ideology: Experimental Evidence on Anti-Americanism in Pakistan”](#)

Noel, Hans. *Political Ideologies and Political Parties in America*. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2013. Print.

\*Gentzkow, Matthew, Jesse Shapiro, Matt Taddy. [“Measuring Polarization in High-Dimensional Data: Method and Application to Congressional Speech.”](#) Working Paper. 2017.

Gentzkow, Matthew, Bryan Kelly, and Matt Taddy. [“Text as Data.”](#) Working Paper.

Rodrik, Dani. [“When Ideas Trump Interests: Preferences, Worldviews, and Policy Innovations.”](#) *Journal of Economic Perspectives* Volume 28(1) Winter 2014: 189–208

Alesina, Alberto, Stefanie Stantcheva, Edoardo Teso. [“Intergenerational Mobility and Preferences for Redistribution.”](#) Working Paper. 2017.

### **Collective Action: Protests and Mobilization. (.5 class October 19)**

\*Cantoni, Davide, David Yang, Noam Yuchtman, Y. Zhang. [“Protests as Strategic Games: Experimental Evidence from Hong Kong’s Democracy Movement.”](#) Working Paper.

\*Madestam, Andreas, Daniel Shoag, Stan Veuger, and David Yanagizawa-Drott [“Do Political Protests Matter? Evidence from the Tea Party Movement.”](#) *The Quarterly Journal of Economics* 128(4) (2013): 1633-1685.

Passarelli, Francesco, and Guido Tabellini. [“Emotions and Political Unrest.”](#) *Journal of Political Economy* 125(3) (2017).

Wood, Elisabeth. *Insurgent Collective Action and Civil War in El Salvador*. Cambridge University Press, 2003. Print.

### **Democratizations and Coups (.5 class October 26)**

\*Francois, Patrick, Ilija Rainer, and Francesco Trebbi. "[How is Power Shared in Africa?](#)" *Econometrica* Vol. 83, No. 2 (2015): 465-503.

\*Acemoglu, Daron, Suresh Naidu, Pascual Restrepo, and James A. Robinson. "[Democracy Does Cause Growth.](#)" Forthcoming, *Journal of Political Economy*.

Mukand, Sharun and Rodrik, Dani. "[The Political Economy of Liberal Democracy.](#)" Working Paper. 2017.

Moore, Barrington. *Social Origins of Dictatorship and Democracy: Lord and Peasant in the Making of the Modern World*. Boston, MA: Beacon Press, 1966. Print.

\*Acemoglu, Daron and James A. Robinson. *Economic Origins of Dictatorship and Democracy*. Cambridge University Press, 2006. Print. (see also "Why Did the West extend the Franchise")

Dube, Arin, Ethan Kaplan, and Suresh Naidu. "[Coups, Corporations, and Classified Information.](#)" *Quarterly Journal of Economics* (2011): 1375-1409.

### **Nationalism vs Migration (.5 class Oct 26)**

\*Gellner, Ernest. *Nations and Nationalism*. Cornell University Press, 2009. Print.

\*Bowles, Samuel, and Ugo Pagano. "[Economic Integration, Cultural Standardization, and the Politics of Social Insurance.](#)" *Globalization and Egalitarian Redistribution* (2006): 289.

\*Alesina, Alberto, Bryony Reich, and Alessandro Riboni. "[Nation-Building, Nationalism and Wars.](#)" Working Paper.

Anderson, Benedict. *Imagined communities: Reflections on the origin and spread of nationalism*. Verso Books, 2006.

Alesina, Alberto, and Enrico Spolaore. *The size of nations*. MIT Press, 2005.

Bolton, Patrick, and Gerard Roland. "The breakup of nations: a political economy analysis." *The Quarterly Journal of Economics* 112.4 (1997): 1057-1090.

Bandiera, Oriana, Myra Mohnen, Imran Rasul, Martina Viarengo. "[Nation-Building Through Compulsory Schooling During the Age of Mass Migration.](#)" (2017). Working Paper.

Abramitzky, Ran, Leah Platt Boustan, and Katherine Eriksson. "A nation of immigrants: Assimilation and economic outcomes in the age of mass migration." *Journal of Political Economy* 122.3 (2014): 467-506.

Clemens, Michael and Lant Pritchett. "[The New Economic Case for Migration Restrictions: An Assessment.](#)" (2016). Working Paper.

Bryan, Gharad, Shyamal Chowdhury, and Ahmed Mushfiq Mobarak. "Underinvestment in a profitable technology: The case of seasonal migration in Bangladesh." *Econometrica* 82.5 (2014): 1671-1748.

Ruhs, Martin. *The Price of Rights: Regulating International Labor Migration*. Princeton University Press, 2015. Print.

\*Karadja, Mounir and Erik Prawitz “[Exit, Voice and Political Change: Evidence from Swedish Mass Migration to the United States](#)” Working paper.

Kinnan, Cynthia, Shing-Yi Wang and Yongxiang Wang. “[Access to Migration for Rural Households.](#)” Working Paper. 2017.

Clemens, Michael. “[Economics and Emigration: Trillion-Dollar Bills on the Sidewalk?](#)” *Journal of Economic Perspectives* Vol. 25 No. 3 (2011): 83-106.

Weyl, E. Glen. “[The Openness-Equality Trade-Off in Global Redistribution.](#)” *The Economic Journal*, Forthcoming.

Clemens, Michael, Ethan Lewis and Hannah Postel. “[Immigration Restrictions as Active Labor Market Policy: Evidence from the Mexican \*Bracero\* Exclusion.](#)” Working Paper.

### **State Capacity and Property Rights (1.5 class November 2-9)**

\*Acemoglu, Daron, Camilo García-Jimeno, and James A. Robinson. “[State Capacity and Economic Development: A Network Approach.](#)” *American Economic Review* Vol. 105 No. 8 (2015): 2364-2409.

\*Libecap, Gary D., and Dean Lueck. “[The Demarcation of Land and the Role of Coordinating Property Institutions.](#)” *Journal of Political Economy* 119.3 (2011): 426-467.

\*de la Sierra, Raul Sanchez. “[On the Origin of States: Stationary Bandits and Taxation in Eastern Congo.](#)” (2015). Working Paper.

\*Leander Heldring Violence and the State: Evidence from Rwanda’s ‘Decade of Atrocities’

\*Paul Niehaus, [Karthik Muralidharan](#) and [Sandip Sukhtankar](#) [General Equilibrium Effects of \(Improving\) Public Employment Programs](#)

\* Adnan Khan, Asim Khwaja and Ben Olken [Tax Farming Redux: Experimental Evidence on Performance Pay for Tax Collectors](#)  
. *Quarterly Journal of Economics* 131 (1), pp 219-271, February 2016.

\*Ash, Elliott “[The political economy of tax laws in the U.S. states](#)”

Dell, Melissa, Nathan Lane, Pablo Querubin. “[The Historical State, Local Collective Action, and Economic Development in Vietnam.](#)” Working Paper.

Acemoglu, Daron and James A. Robinson. “[The Emergence of Weak, Despotic and Inclusive States.](#)” Working Paper. 2017.

Bardhan, Pranab “[State and Economic Development: The Need for a Reappraisal of the Current Literature.](#)” Working Paper.

Tilly, Charles. [“War Making and State Making as Organized Crime.”](#) *Bringing the State Back In*. Peter Evans, Dietrich Rueschemeyer, and Theda Skocpol, eds. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1985. Print.

Gennaioli, Nicola and Hans-Joachim Voth. [“State Capacity and Military Conflict.”](#) *Review of Economic Studies* (2015): 1409-1448.

Besley, Timothy J., and Torsten Persson. [“Taxation and Development.”](#) Centre for Economic Policy Research, 2013. (handbook chapter, just read first empirical half).

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