

IE II: Development and Growth (03.897.1020/1025)
MON 14:15 - 15:45 (LE) in 00 212 S 1
WED 14:15 - 15:45 (TU) in 00 135 RW 2

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Office Hours: by appointment via MS Teams.

Prerequisites: Students should be familiar with basic concepts in macroeconomics and international trade.

Content and objectives: Why are there vast and persistent differences in incomes across regions and nations? We will shed light on basic and advanced concepts of economic development. The focus of this course is on drivers of growth, including international trade, institutions and culture. Students will also learn to identify causal links between economic growth and these drivers by studying relevant empirical strategies. To complete the picture, we will look at the link between economic growth and income distribution. We will *not* study standard growth models, which are covered by the course *Advanced Macroeconomics*.

Grading: Written closed book exam (60 minutes) on the basis of the aim of this course (see course content and objectives). Successful students will receive 6 ECTS.

Academic Honesty: As a JGU student, I expect you to abide by the University's Examination Code and a culture of honesty. Lack of knowledge thereof is not a reasonable explanation for violation. Questions related to course exams and the Disciplinary Code should be directed to the *Studienbüro*. For information see [here](#). See also [here](#).

Extra Help: We will make all materials available to all enrolled students via LMS Moodle. We teach in a hybrid classroom once we have obtained all necessary hardware. Do not hesitate to get in touch (by appointment) to discuss your questions concerning the course.

Course Outline (*subject to changes*):

25.10.2021	.....	Introductory lecture	(LE)
27.10.2021	.....	Primer on development and growth	(TU)
03.11.2021	.....	Introductory tutorial	(TU)
08.11.2021	.....	Growth in the open economy I	(LE)
10.11.2021	.....	Growth in the open economy I	(TU)
15.11.2021	.....	Does trade cause growth?	(LE)
17.11.2021	.....	Does trade cause growth?	(TU)
22.11.2021	.....	Do institutions cause growth?	(LE)
24.11.2021	.....	Do institutions cause growth?	(TU)
29.11.2021	.....	Does culture cause growth?	(LE)
01.12.2021	.....	Does culture cause growth?	(TU)
06.12.2021	.....	Culture and institutions	(LE)
08.12.2021	.....	Culture and institutions	(TU)
13.12.2021	.....	Distributional effects from globalization	(LE)
15.12.2021	.....	Distributional effects from globalization	(TU)
03.01.2022	.....	Income inequality and growth I	(LE)
05.01.2022	.....	Income inequality and growth I	(TU)
10.01.2022	.....	Income inequality and growth II	(LE)
12.01.2022	.....	Income inequality and growth II	(TU)
17.01.2022	.....	Structural transformation and growth	(LE)
19.01.2022	.....	Structural transformation and growth	(TU)
24.01.2022	.....	De-integration and development	(LE)
26.01.2022	.....	De-integration and development	(TU)
31.01.2022	.....	Q&A Session	(LE)
02.02.2022	.....	Q&A Session	(TU)
TBA	.....		Exam

Books used in this course (optional):

Economic Growth, by David N. Weil (Third edition, 2016)

Advanced International Trade, by Robert C. Feenstra (Second edition, 2016)

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