ECON 4774-001: Topics in Economic Development, History and Political Economy

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Class Schedule: TTh 9:00 am to noon in ECON 119.

Office Hours: Mondays noon to 1 pm and by appointment.

Textbooks: There are four required textbooks for this class:

1) The Rise and Decline of Nations by Mancur Olson (New Haven, CT: Yale University Press), 1984, reprint.

- 2) War, Peace and Prosperity in the Name of God by Murat Iyigun (Chicago, IL: The University of Chicago Press), 2015.
- 3) A Culture of Growth: y Prebok

Course Outline

Week of	Topic
5/13	The Course Mechanics and Logistics Introduction & Facts to be Explained A Framework for Analysis The Solow Growth Model The Relevant Empirical Facts about the Big Picture Jones, Pritchett and Temple articles.
5/20	The Rise and Decline of Nations (Ch. 1, 2, 3) The Rise and Decline of Nations (Ch. 4, 5) The Rise and Decline of Nations (Ch. 6) War, Peace and Prosperity in the Name of God (Preface, Chs. 1, 2, 3, 4) War, Peace and Prosperity in the Name of God (Chs. 5 thru 11)
5/24	Midterm Student presentations on: A Culture of Growth (Chs. 1 thru 4) A Culture of Growth (Chs. 5, 6, 9, 10,) A Culture of Growth (Chs. 11, 13, 14, 15) Rulers, Religion and Riches (Chs. 1, 2, 3) Rulers, Religion and Riches (Chs. 4 thru 9)
5/31	Final Exam (May 31 th , Friday)