

Political Science 374/474
The Political Economy of Development
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Course Objectives

This course seeks to understand the process of economic, social, and political development in states commonly considered the Third World. We will consider a variety of variables that impact each of these, including just what we mean by development plus the impact of culture and religion, agriculture and industry, democracy and alternatives to it, the role of the state, and various strategies to achieve development. We will consider a number of case studies to highlight these variable. In addition, the course will consider issues of sustainability within and between nations and, finally, consider issues that cross state border, including the environment, globalization, and the rise of non-governmental organizations.

Evaluation

Your grade in this course will be determined as follows:

Twenty five percent of your grade will be determined by periodic quizzes based on readings and class discussion. *It is a wise student who keeps up with reading assignments.*

Twenty five percent of your grade will be determined by a midterm exam. *It is a wise student who keeps up with reading assignments.*

Ten percent of your grade will be determined by attendance and class participation. Attendance will be taken. Absences will be excused only for legitimate reasons and with a written excuse. *It is a wise student who keeps up with reading assignments, comes to class, and comes prepared.*

Forty percent of the grade will be determined by a take-home final analyzing the prospects for development in a specific less developed country. Countries will be

drawn from a hat. The 5-6 page paper should discuss the constraints the country faces, the role of the state in development, and your recommendations for further development of its economic, social, and political development. *It is a wise student who keeps up with reading assignments.*

Students Taking 474: You are to write a 10-12 page paper discussing the salient features of one of the 20 top countries on the Failed States Index http://www.foreignpolicy.com/story/cms.php?story_id=3420&print=1 as to why it is failing. This should include discussion of its political, social, cultural and economic conditions and the impact these have on its status on the list. The paper should also include discussion of what steps are necessary for that country to get off of the Failed States Index.

Books for Purchase

Ellen Frost: *Asia's New Regionalism*, Rienner, 2008.

William Easterly: *The White Man's Burden, Why the West's Efforts to Aid the Rest Have Done So Much Ill and So Little Good*, Penguin Books, 2006.

Andres R. Edwards: *The Sustainability Revolution*, 2005.

Howard Wiarda: *Political Development in Emerging Nations*, Wadsworth, 2004. This text is labeled Wiarda (1) in the course schedule.

Reserve readings (marked * below & posted on Blackboard)

Jared Diamond: *Guns, Germs and Steel: The Fates of Human Societies*.

Jared Diamond: *Collapse: How Societies Choose to Fail or Succeed*.

Mark Kesselman: *The Politics of Globalization*, Houghton Mifflin, 2007

Ray Kiely: *Industrialization and Development*.

Robert Pinckney: *Democracy in the Third World*

Howard Wiarda (2): *Non-Western Theories of Development*

Fareed Zakaria: *The Rise of Illiberal Democracy*

David Zweig" "China's Political Economy" in William A. Joseph, ed., *Politics in China*, Oxford University Press, 2010.

Katherine Morton: "Policy Case Study: The Environment" in Joseph, Chapter 11

Margaret Karns & Karen Mingst: *International Organizations*, Rienner, 2010.

W. W. Rostow: *The stages of Economic Growth*, 2nd Edition, 1971.

Fernando Henrique Cardoso & Enzo Faletto: *Dependency and Development in Latin America*, 1979.

Vicky Randall & Robin Theobald: *Political Change and Underdevelopment*, 2nd Edition

http://www.foreignpolicy.com/articles/2010/06/21/the_failed_states_index_2010

<http://www.undp.org/>

Tentative Course Schedule (subject to change)

Section One August 24, 26, & 31

The Developing World

- Reading: *The Fund for Peace: “The Failed States Index” in *Foreign Policy*, 2010 found at
http://www.foreignpolicy.com/articles/2010/06/21/the_failed_states_index_2010
and also at
*2010 Failed States Rankings and “Failed States, and the Bad Guys Who Keep Them That Way,” in *Foreign Policy*, August 2010.
*United National Millennium Goals Report 2010 found at
<http://www.undp.org/mdg/#>
Howard Wiarda (1): Preface and Chapter 1.
*Jared Diamond: *Guns, Germs and Steel, The Fates of Human Societies*, pp 13-25
*Jared Diamond: *Collapse: How Societies Choose to Fail or Succeed*, Chapters 9 and 14
*Robert Pinkney: *Democracy & the End of Empire*, Chapter 3
Easterly: Chapter 1.

Section Two September 2 & 7

Theories: Why does development happen or not happen?

- Reading: Howard Wiarda (1): Chapters 2
*W. W. Rostow: Chapters 1-2 in *The Stages of Economic Growth*, 1960.
Easterly: Chapters 2-4.

Section Three September 9 & 14

Methods: Agriculture, then Industry

Reading:

- *Ray Kiely: “Defining Industrialization & Development”, Chapter 1
- *Ray Kiely: “Debating Industrialization” Chapter 2
- *Ray Kiely: “Import Substitution Industrialization,” Chapter 6
- *Ray Kiely: “Export Oriented Industrialization,” Chapter 7

Section Four September 16 & 21

Culture, Ethnicity, & Religion

- Reading:
- *Howard Handelman: “Religion and Politics: Chapter 3
 - *Howard Handelman: “The Politics of Cultural Pluralism and Ethnic Conflict” Chapter 4
 - *Vicky Randall & Robin Theobald: Chapter 2.
 - *Ray Kiely: “Culture and Industrialization,” pages 115-117
 - *Easterly: Chapters 8-9.

Section Five September 23 & 28

The Role of the State in Development

- Reading:
- *Atul Kohli: Introduction in *States & Industrialization in the Global Periphery*.
 - *Howard Handelman: “The Political Economy of Third World Development,” Pages 254-265
 - *Ray Kiely: “The State and Late Industrialization,” pages 117-145.
 - *Ray Kiely: “The State & Civil Society,” pages 127-130.
 - *Randall & Theobald: “The Emergence of a Politics of Order” and “The State and Civil Society” Chapters 3 & 5.

Section Six September 30 & October 5

Democracy?

- Reading: Howard Wiarda (1): "Transitions to Democracy in the Developing World," Chapter 5
*Howard Handelman: "Democratic Change and the Change to Democracy," Chapter 2
*Robert Pinkney: Chapters 1-2 & 4-5
*Ray Kiely: "Capitalist Models of Industrialization," Chapter 3

Section Seven October 7 & 12,

Alternatives to Democracy

- Reading: *Rostow Chapter 10
*Vicky Randall & robin theobald, Chapter 4
*Howard Handelman: "Soldiers & Politics," Chapter 9
*Howard Wiarda (1): "Disillusionment With Development," Chap 3
*Howard Wiarda (2): "Chapters 1-4.
*Fareed Zakaria: "The Rise of Illiberal Democracy" in *Foreign Affairs* 1997.
*David Zweig" "China's Political Economy" in William A..Joseph, ed. *Politics in China*.

Section Eight Constraints (Case Studies)

October 14 Culture, the Case of Indonesia

October 21 History, the Case of Iraq

October 26 Endowments, the Case of Afghanistan

October 28 Politics & Economics, the Case of China

November 2 Role of the State, the Case of Japan and Korea

November 4 Role of Regionalism, the Case of Asia

- Reading: Frost, Chapters 1, 2, 4, 8 & 10

**November 9 Role of the International System, the Case of the
World Bank & IMF**

Reading: Karns & Mingst, Chapter 9
Easterly: Chapters 5-7

**November 11 Role of the International System, the Case of the
WTO**

Reading: Matsuchita, et.al. Chapters 1-2 & 14.

Section 9 Sustainability November 16 & 18

Reading: Andres Edwards: *The Sustainability Revolution*, All Chapters

Section 10 Constraints Across Borders

November 23 China's The Environment

Reading: Elizabeth Economy, Chapter 1
Katherine Morton: "Policy Case Study: The Environment" in
Joseph, Chapter 11.

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November 30 Globalization

Reading: Howard Wiarda: “Globalization and its Critics,” Chapter 7
 Mark Kesselman: “National States & Globalization,” Chapter 6
 Ray Kiely: “Late Industrialization and the Global Economy,”
 Chapter 5
 Jared Diamond: *Collapse*, Chapter 16.
 *Jan Nederveen Pieterse: “Globalization & Culture” in Mark
 Kesselman
 *Saskia Sassen: “Immigration in a Global Era” in Mark
 Kesselman
 Randall & Theobald: “Globalization and the Study of Political
 Change,” Chapter 6

December 2 Non-state Actors

Reading: Karns & Mingst: Chapter 6.
 Easterly: Chapters 10-11

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