

Econ 3840

Economic Development

A course in economic development examines the multifaceted nature of development processes. It provides students with the knowledge and analytical tools to address the complex challenges facing economies and societies around the world.

Among the topics discussed in this course are:

- Theories of economic development, growth, and modernization
- The roles of government institutions and governance structures, corruption, property rights, and the rule of law
- Poverty and inequality measurement, causes, consequences, and policies to alleviate these issues
- UN Sustainable Development Goals
- International Trade and its role in globalization and economic development promotion
- Foreign aid and development assistance
- Infrastructure development and technology transfer
- Population growth and its impact on economic development
- Human capital formation and the role of education
- Rural and agricultural development, including food security and market access



Who should take this course:

- **An interest in a better understanding of human behavior and how the world works**
- **Interested in developing economies' role in supply chains, emerging market growth and political stability concerns**
- **An interest in social justice, environmental sustainability, poverty alleviation**
- **Those interested in working for intergovernmental agencies (World Bank, IMF, WHO, UN), USAID, or NGOs such as Oxfam, CARE, and BRAC**
- **Those interested in microfinance agencies such as Grameen Foundation**
- **Satisfies economics major and minor elective requirement**



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