

Economics 347/570 section W1
Economic Development
Class meets on Wednesdays @ 6:40-9:10, room B 211

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Text: Malcolm Gillis, Dwight H. Perkins, Michael Roemer, Donald R. Snodgrass
Economics of Development, W. W. Norton & Company, 4th edition
[which edition you have matters little since the content remains very much the same.]

Office hours:

Since most of the students work during the day, no hours are fixed for consultation. Please feel free to make arrangement(s) to meet with me either prior to after each class period. You may also phone and leave a message [993-1055 or 993-1000]. The first number is that of the faculty office where there should always be someone to answer the phone during office hours. The second number is the university switchboard. It has a long, long recorded message once it is connected. When you hear the recorded message beginning, just press the number zero and it gets connected to the operator right away. I shall return your call a.s.a.p. Or, you may also e-mail me at: shenrs@udmercy.edu for that purpose.

Course objective:

Through lectures, readings, class discussions and a research project [for graduate students], students can be more knowledgeable in issues, factors, available policies/development-instruments and established theories pertaining to economic growth/development. The course also aims at developing the relative ease on the part of the student in identifying obstacles such as financial, physical, geographical, human, institutional etc. in given situations, and in diagnosing given conditions to arrive at workable solutions and recommendations for development.

Exams:

There will be a mid-term and a final.

Grading:

Class participation is assumed.

For undergraduate students:

Mid-term 35% and final 65%.

For graduate students:

mid-term 25%, final 40% and research project 35%.

A: 90 or better; A-: 85-89; B+: 80-84; B: 75-79; B-: 70-74;

C+: 65-69;

TENTATIVE schedule:

	<i>Date</i>	<i>Chapter(s)</i>
<i>Jan.</i>	8	<i>Introduction, organization, 1</i>
	15	<i>2 & 3</i>
	22	<i>4 & 5</i>
	29	<i>8 & 9</i>
<i>Feb.</i>	5	<i>9 & 10</i>
	12	<i>11 & 12</i>
	19	<i>13</i>
	26	<i>14</i>
<i>Mar.</i>	5	<i>[Spring break, no class]</i>
	12	<i>mid-term</i>
	19	<i>15</i>
	26	<i>16 & 17</i>
<i>Apr.</i>	9	<i>18 & 19</i>
	16	<i>19 & 20</i>