The Macroeconomics of Development

Course Reading List - Revised Feb. 2

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1) Productivity and technology adoption

Lectures based on:

Stephen L. Parente and Edward C. Prescott, *Barriers to Riches*, MIT Press, 2000.

Peter J. Klenow and Andres Rodriguez, "Externalities and Growth," forthcoming in the *Handbook of Economic Growth*.

Student presentation #1:

Chang Tai Hsieh, "What Explains the Industrial Revolution in East Asia? Evidence from Factor Markets," *American Economic Review*, June 2002.

Student presentation #2:

Peter Howitt, "Endogenous Growth and Cross-Country Income Differences," *American Economic Review*, December 2000, 90(4), pp. 829-846.

Related papers:

Francesco Caselli "The Missing Input: Accounting for Cross-Country Income Differences," forthcoming in the *Handbook of Economic Growth*, November 2003.

Chang Tai Hsieh and Peter Klenow, "Relative Prices and Relative Prosperity," mimeo., August 2004

Wolfgang Keller, "International Technology Diffusion," *Journal of Economic Literature* (September 2004).

Daron Ademoglu and Fabrizio Ziliboti, "Productivity Differences," Quarterly Journal of Economics (May 2001) 563-606.

Daron Ademoglu and Jaume Ventura, "The World Distribution of Income," Quarterly Journal of Economics (May 2002) 659-694.

2) Inequality and development

Student presentation #3:

Oded Galor; Joseph Zeira, "Income Distribution and Macroeconomics," *Review of Economic Studies*, Vol. 60, No. 1. (Jan., 1993), pp. 35-52.

Related papers:

Francesco Caselli and Jaume Ventura, "A Representative Consumer Theory of Distribution," *American Economic Review* 90(4) (September 2000): pp. 909-926.

Esther Duflo and Abhijit Banerjee, "Inequality and Growth: What Can the Data Say?" mimeo., June 2003.

Forbes, Kristin J. (2000) "A reassessment of the relationship between inequality and growth," *American Economic Review* 90(4), 869-887.

Robert J. Barro (2000) "Inequality and Growth in a Panel of Countries," *Journal of Economic Growth* 5 (1), 5-32.

Roland Bénabou, "Inequality, Technology, and the Social Contract," December 2003, forthcoming in the *Handbook of Economic Growth*.

3) Finance and development

Student presentation #4:

P. Aghion, P. Howitt, and D. Mayer-Foulkes, "The effect of financial development on convergence: Theory and Evidence," *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, forthcoming.

Related papers:

Ross Levine, "Finance and Growth: Theory and Evidence," forthcoming in the *Handbook of Economic Growth*, September 2004.

J. Greenwood and B. Jovanovic, "Financial Development, Growth, and the Distribution of Income," *Journal of Political Economy* 98 (1990) 1076-1107.

Valerie R. Bencivenga and Bruce D. Smith, "Financial Intermediation and Endogenous Growth," Review of Economic Studies 58 (1991) 195-209.

4) Poverty Traps

Student presentation #5:

Costas Azariadis and John Stachurski, "Poverty Traps," forthcoming in the *Handbook of Economic Growth*.

5) Transitions in Development

Student presentation #6:

Oded Galor and David N. Weil, "Population, Technology, and Growth: From Malthusian Stagnation to the Demographic Transition and Beyond," *American Economic Review* 90(4) (September 2000): pp. 806-828.

Related papers:

Stephen L. Parente and Edward C. Prescott, "A Unified Theory of the Evolution of International Income Levels," forthcoming in the *Handbook of Economic Growth*, September 2003.

L. Rachel Ngai, "Barriers and the Transition to Modern Economic Growth," mimeo., October 2003

Gary D. Hansen and Edward C. Prescott, "Malthus to Solow," *American Economic Review* 92 (2002), 1205-1217.

Charles I. Jones, "Was an Industrial Revolution Inevitable? Economic Growth Over the Very Long Run," Advances in Macroeconomics, Vol. 1, No. 2, 2001.

Other Topics

William Easterly, "National Policies and Economic Growth: A Reappraisal," forthcoming in the *Handbook of Economic Growth*.

Foreign Aid

Burnside, Craig and David Dollar, "Aid, Policies, and Growth," *American Economic Review* 90(4) (September 2000): pp. 847–68.

William Easterly, Ross Levine, and David Roodman, "New Data, New Doubts: A Comment on Burnside and Dollar's 'Aid, Policies, and Growth'" *American Economic Review*, forthcoming.

William Easterly, "Can Foreign Aid Buy Growth?" *Journal of Economic Perspectives* 17(3), 2003, pp. 23-48.

Jakob Svensson, "Why Conditional Aid Doesn't Work and What Can Be Done About It", *Journal of Development Economics*, 2003, vol. 70 (2): 381-402.

The Role of Human Capital and Schooling

Jess Benhabib and Mark M. Spiegel, "Human Capital and Technology Diffusion," forthcoming in the *Handbook of Economic Growth*

Bils, Mark and P. Klenow, "Does Schooling Cause Growth?" *American Economic Review*, December 2000, 90(5), pp. 1160-1183.

Eric A. Hanushek and Dennis D. Kimko, "Schooling, Labor-Force Quality, and the Growth of Nations" *American Economic Review*, December 2000, 90(5), pp. 1184-1208.

Pritchett, Lant (2001). "Where Has All the Education Gone?" World Bank Economic Review.

Krueger, Alan B. and Mikael Lindahl "Education for growth" *Journal of Economic Literature*, 2001

Lutz Hendricks, "How Important Is Human Capital for Development? Evidence From Immigrant Earnings" *American Economic Review*, March 2002, 92(1), pp. 198-219.