

**ECON 910 Development Economics**  
**School of Development Economics**  
**Semester 1/2550 (August 14 – December 9, 2007)**

**Lecturer:** Dararatt Anantanasuwong, Ph.D.  
**Room:** 1/301  
**Date:** Every Friday  
**Time:** 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.  
**Office Hour:** Monday between 9:30 – 12:00 a.m.  
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**Main Content:**

This course covers advanced topics of development economics spanning micro-development and macro-development economics. Topics include dual economy, inter-linkage in rural markets, structural transformation, economic roles of institutions, social welfare, poverty and income distribution, international trade and economic development and computable general equilibrium analysis of development policy scenarios.

**Purposes of the Course:**

The concepts of development economics in dealing with poverty reduction and sustainable development in rural and urban areas will be explored, while the government roles in economic development will be analyzed. The updated analytical tools in economic development will also be introduced.

**Study Methods:**

1. Class-room lecture
2. Students' presentation and discussion
3. Students' report
4. Field trip

**Course Evaluation:**

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| 1. Presentation | 20 points |
| 2. Report       | 30 points |
| 3. Final exam   | 50 points |

**Required Textbooks:**

Meier, Gerald M. and James E. Rauch. 2000. *Leading Issues in Economic Development*. Seventh Edition. Oxford University Press.

Todaro, Michael P. and Stephen C. Smith. 2003. *Economic Development*. Pearson Education Limited.

**Reference:**

Allen, Tim and Alan Thomas. 2000. *Poverty and Development*. Second Edition. Oxford University Press

Stiglitz, Joseph and Gerald Meier. 2001. *Frontiers of Development Economics: The Future in Perspective*. Oxford University Press/The World Bank

[www.worldbank.org](http://www.worldbank.org)

[www.oecd.org](http://www.oecd.org)

[www.undp.org](http://www.undp.org); [www.unescap.org](http://www.unescap.org)

[www.nesdb.go.th](http://www.nesdb.go.th)

[www.bot.or.th](http://www.bot.or.th)

Many other references from Gerald M. Meier and James Rauch's textbook

## Class Schedule

Date	Issues	Reference/Note
8/17	<b>I. Introduction:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Economics, Institution, and Development</li> <li>• Measuring Development</li> </ul>	Todaro & Smith, chs. 1, 2 Meier & Rauch, ch. 1, I.A
8/24	<b>II. Theories and Models of Development</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Classic Theories of Development</li> <li>• Contemporary Models of Development and Underdevelopment</li> </ul>	Todaro & Smith, chs. 4, 5
8/31	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Theories and Models of Development (cont.)</b></li> </ul>	
9/7	<b>III. Problems and Policies:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Poverty, Inequality and Development</li> </ul>	Todaro & Smith, Ch. 6 Mier & Rauch, ch. VIII
9/14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Poverty, Inequality and Development (cont.)</li> </ul>	
9/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Population Growth and Economic Development</li> </ul>	Todaro & Smith, ch. 7
9/28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Human Resources</li> </ul>	Todaro & Smith, ch. 9 Mier & Rauch, ch. V
10/5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rural-urban Migration and Development</li> </ul>	Todaro & Smith, ch. 8
<b>Semester Break (October 8 – 21, 2007)</b>		
10/26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agricultural Transformation and Rural Development</li> </ul>	Todaro & Smith, ch. 10 Mier & Rauch, ch. VII
11/2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• International Trade and Technology Transfer</li> </ul>	Mier & Rauch, ch. IV
11/9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• International Trade and Technology Transfer (cont.)</li> </ul>	Todaro & Smith, ch. 12, 13
11/16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Environment and Development</li> </ul>	Todaro & Smith, ch. 11
11/23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Environment and Development (Cont.)</li> </ul>	Mier & Rauch, ch. X
11/30	<b>IV. Prospect:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development Policy-making and the Roles of the State</li> </ul>	Todaro & Smith, ch. 16 Mier & Smith, ch. IX
12/7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conclusion</li> </ul>	
<b>Final Exam (December 11 – 23, 2007)</b>		