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1 Introduction

There is a growing awareness that many of the key challenges in fostering development in poor societies are political challenges. What can we do to encourage trade, cooperation and peace in environments riven with social and ethnic divisions? How do we foster broadly beneficial political reforms and good governance when the potential losers to reforms are able to mobilise to prevent them? How do we detect and mitigate the effects of corruption? What role may modern finance play in creating or mitigating political economy challenges in developing countries?

These problems are modern and endemic, but many are also old problems, and economic theory and the practical experiences of different countries have much to tell us both about what has worked in the past, and what policy experiments we may try in new environments. Rather than a survey, the objective of this course is to selectively discuss new and open research areas in political development economics and the theoretical and empirical tools necessary to contribute to them, with the topics chosen to complement other Stanford courses in applied microeconomics, development, political economics and economic history. By the end of the course, the student will have analysed a theoretical or historical solution to a key political development challenge and proposed a natural or

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field experiment to test it empirically. Graduate level proficiency in microeconomics and empirical methods will be required.

2 Practicalities

Session times Winter Quarter: Wednesdays, 8:30-11:30, E301, GSB Faculty Block.
First two sessions on zoom: [Link](#)

Pre-requisites Proficiency in microeconomics and econometrics at the level of the 1st year GSB / economics graduate sequence, or by permission.

Office hours By appointment; Wednesdays after class/ afternoons generally best.

Course websites On Canvas

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3 Course requirements

1. Class participation (15%): this class will combine lecture and seminar. Participants will be expected to have done the discussion reading before class and be prepared to answer questions during the session. Each student can choose one “mulligan”-one day, mentioned to me at the beginning of class, when they will not be evaluated on class participation.
2. Referee report with modeling/ discussant exercise (20%): This exercise will take you through the process of critiquing an applied model in a current working paper and begin crafting your own alternative.
3. Class presentation: (20%): You will take the lead presenting and critiquing a working paper directly related to your research proposal.
4. Research paper: (45%): By the end of the course, you will have analysed a theoretical or historical solution to a key political development challenge and proposed a natural or field experiment to test it empirically.

4 Schedule

1. Session 1 January 5 (on zoom):
 - (a) Overview and introductions
 - (b) Why development is hard: constituencies and losers from reform.
 - (c) Financial solutions to the political economy of development.
2. Session 2 January 12 (on zoom):
 - (a) Social and ethnic identities as political constituencies
 - (b) Understanding identity and identity change.
3. Session 3 January 19: Ethnic and civil conflict (in E259, omicron-willing!)
4. Week of Jan 17-21 : *One on one meetings to discuss research proposal.*
5. Session 4 January 26:
 - (a) Violence vs non-violent mobilization
 - (b) The aftermath of conflict
 - (c) *Complete CITI training if not already done*
6. Session 5 February 2:
 - (a) Complementarities and institutions (*research outline due*)
 - (b) Leaders
7. Session 6 February 9: Corruption and “forensic” economics
8. Session 7 February 16:
 - (a) The political economy of trade, populism and political backlash
 - (b) *referee report due. Mini-discussion simulation*
9. Session 8 February 23: Political risks and uncertainty
10. Session 9 March 2:
 - (a) The origins of the state and state capacity
 - (b) Democratisation and threats to democracy
11. That Week of Jan 28- March 4: One on one meetings to discuss student presentations.
12. Session 10 March 9: Student presentations
13. March 16: *research paper due.*

5 Reading list

This reading list is meant to be inclusive. Each week, I will ask you to prepare to discuss and answer questions on two or three papers, while I cover the others (and several not listed), highlighting useful methods or intriguing ideas.

5.1 Why development is hard: constituencies and losers

Discussion focus

1. Rajan, Raghuram and Rodney Ramcharan (2020), Constituencies and Legislation: The Fight over the McFadden Act, NBER working paper
2. Rajan, Raghuram and Rodney Ramcharan (2011) “Land and Credit: A Study of the Political Economy of Banking in the United States in the early 20th Century”, *Journal of Finance*
3. Rajan, Raghuram (2009) “The Persistence of Underdevelopment: Constituencies and Competitive Rent Preservation”, *American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics*
4. Daron Acemoglu and James A. Robinson, (2008). “Persistence of Power, Elites, and Institutions,” *American Economic Review*, vol. 98(1), pages 267-93, March

5.2 Financial solutions to political economy problems

1. Saumitra Jha and Moses Shayo (2019) “Valuing Peace: The Effects of Financial Market Exposure on Votes and Political Attitudes”, *Econometrica*
2. Saumitra Jha and Moses Shayo (2021) “Trading Stocks Builds Financial Confidence and Compresses the Gender Gap”, GSB working paper
3. Saumitra Jha, Yotam Margalit and Moses Shayo, “Remaining European: The Effects of Financial Market Exposure on the Brexit Vote”, to be posted on Canvas.
4. Saumitra Jha (2015) “Financial Asset Holdings and Political Attitudes: Evidence from Revolutionary England” *Quarterly Journal of Economics*
5. Stephen Haber and Enrico Perotti (2012) “The Political Economy of Finance” *mimeo*, Stanford.
6. Saumitra Jha (2012) “Sharing the Future: Financial Innovation and Innovators in Solving the Political Economy Challenges of Development” in Masahiko Aoki, Timur Kuran and Gerard Roland eds., *Institutions and Comparative Economic Development*.
7. Francesco Caselli and Nicola Gennaioli (2008) “The Economics and Politics of Alternative Institutional Reforms” *Quarterly Journal of Economics*

8. Bruno Biais and Enrico Perotti (2002) “Machiavellian Privatization” *American Economic Review*, 92(1), 240-258.
9. Richard Sylla and Peter Rousseau (2001) “Financial Systems, Economic Growth and Globalization” NBER working paper 8323
10. Maxim Boycko, Andrei Shleifer and Robert Vishny (1994) “Voucher Privatization” *Journal of Financial Economics*

Historical Cases: The USA, 1790s, Japan, 1850s, England, 17C-19C, Russia 20-21C, Israel, 21C.

5.3 Understanding ethnic and social identity

Discussion focus

1. Benjamin Enke (2018) “Moral Values and Voting”, NBER working paper
2. Paola Giuliano and Nathan Nunn (2018) “Explaining Cultural Persistence and Change”.
3. Debraj Ray (2006) “Aspirations, poverty and economic change” chapter 28 in Banerjee, Benabou and Mookherjee eds. *Understanding poverty*, OUP
4. Roland Fryer and David Austen-Smith (2005) “An Economic Analysis of ‘Acting White’” *The Quarterly Journal of Economics*, May *
5. Alberto Alesina and Eliana La Ferrara (2005) “Ethnic Diversity and Economic Performance” *Journal of Economic Literature*
6. Daniel Chen “Club Goods and Group Identity: Evidence from Islamic Resurgence During the Indonesian Financial Crisis”, *Journal of Political Economy*
7. Alberto Diaz-Cayeros and Saumitra Jha (2019) “Conquered but not Vanquished”, mimeo, Stanford.

Background

1. Saumitra Jha (2018) Trading for Peace *Economic Policy*
2. Nathan Nunn (2014) “Historical Development”, *Handbook of Economic Growth*
3. Alberto Alesina, Paula Giuliano and Nathan Nunn (2013) “On the Evolution of Gender Roles” *Quarterly Journal of Economics*
4. Ben Eifert, Edward Miguel and Dan Posner (2010) “Political Competition and Ethnic Identification in Africa” *American Journal of Political Science*
5. Alberto Bisin and Thierry Verdier (2010) The Economics of Cultural Transmission and Socialization *NBER working paper/ Handbook of Social Economics*

6. Saumitra Jha (2004) “Cultured Economic Theory”, mimeo, Stanford University
7. Posner, Daniel (2004) “The Political Salience of Cultural Difference: Why Chewas and Tumbukas Are Allies in Zambia and Adversaries in Malawi” *American Political Science Review* Vol. 98, No. 4
8. Lily Tsai (2007) “Solidary Groups, Informal Accountability, and Local Public Goods Provision in Rural China”, *American Political Science Review*, vol.101, no.2, pp.355-372.
9. George Akerlof and Rachel Kranton (2000) “The Economics of Identity”, *Quarterly Journal of Economics*

Historical Cases: Indigenous Communities in Mexico (15C-21C) Islamisation in sub-Saharan Africa (20C), Indonesia (Financial crisis)

5.4 Ethnic and Civil Conflict

Discussion focus

1. Jacob Moscona, Nathan Nunn and James Robinson (2018) Social Structure and Conflict: Evidence from sub-Saharan Africa, mimeo, Harvard
2. Francisco Trebbi and Eric Weese (2015) “Insurgency and Small Wars: Estimation of Unobserved Coalition Structures”, mimeo, UBC.
3. Nathan Nunn and Nancy Qian (2014) “US Food Aid and Civil Conflict” *American Economic Review*
4. Saumitra Jha (2013) “Trade, institutions and ethnic tolerance: evidence from South Asia”, *American Political Science Review*.
5. Oeindrila Dube and Juan Vargas (2013), “Commodity Price Shocks and Civil Conflict: Evidence from Colombia”, *Review of Economic Studies*.
6. Joachim Voth and Nico Voigtlander (2012) “Persecution Perpetuated: The Medieval Origins of anti-Semitic Violence in Nazi Germany” *Quarterly Journal of Economics*.
7. Joan Esteban and Debraj Ray (2011) “Linking Conflict to Inequality and Polarization”, *American Economic Review*
8. Ernesto Dal Bo and Pedro Dal Bo (2011) “Workers, Warriors and Criminals: Social Conflict in General Equilibrium”, *Journal of the European Economic Association*.
9. Joan Esteban and Debraj Ray “On the Salience of Ethnic Conflict”, *American Economic Review*.
10. Sirus Dehdari and Kai Gehring (2019) The Origins of Common Identity: Evidence from Alsace-Lorraine, CESifo Working paper

Background papers

1. Robert Powell (2006) “War as a Commitment Problem” *International Organization*
2. Debraj Ray and Joan Esteban (1994) “On the Measurement of Polarization” *Econometrica*
3. Alberto Diaz-Cayeros, Juan Espinosa-Balbuena and Saumitra Jha “Pandemic Spikes and Broken Spears: Indigenous Resilience after the Conquest of Mexico”, forthcoming, *Journal of Historical Political Economy*
4. Saumitra Jha “Ethnic Conflict in Historical Perspective”, *Oxford Handbook of Historical Political Economy*, to be posted to Canvas.
5. Nour Kteily, Emile Bruneau, Adam Waytz, and Sarah Cotterill (2015). “The Ascent of Man: Theoretical and Empirical Evidence for Blatant Dehumanization”, *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*, 109(5), 901-931

Historical Cases: Colombia (20C), India (6C-20C), Spain (15C) / Ottoman Empire (15-20C)

5.5 Violence vs non-violent mobilization

1. Rikhil Bhavnani and Saumitra Jha (2021) *How Nonviolence Works*, to be posted.*
2. Rikhil Bhavnani and Saumitra Jha (2014) “Gandhi’s Gift: Lessons for Peaceful Reform from India’s Struggle for Democracy” *Economics of Peace and Security Journal*, 2014.*
3. Enikolopov, Ruben, Aleksey Makarin and Maria Petrova (2020) Social Media and Protest Participation: Evidence from Russia, *Econometrica*.*
4. Omar Wasow (2020) “Agenda Seeding: How 1960s Black Protests Moved Elites, Public Opinion and Voting” *American Political Science Review**
5. Sofia Correa (2021) “Persistent Protests”, mimeo, NYU.
6. Davide Cantoni, David Yang, Noam Yuchtman and Y. Jane Zhang (2019) Protests as Strategic Games: Experimental Evidence from Hong Kong’s Anti-Authoritarian Movement, *Quarterly Journal of Economics*
7. Timur Kuran (1989) “Sparks and Prairie Fires”, *Public Choice*

6 Background

1. Rikhil Bhavnani and Saumitra Jha (2021) When Nonviolence Failed, *Broadstreet Blog*.

2. Iannaccone, Larry (1992) Sacrifice and Stigma: Reducing Free-riding in Cults, Communes and Other Collectives, *Journal of Political Economy*, 100(2),271-291.
3. Bikhchandani, Sushil, David Hirshleifer and Ivo Welch (1998) “Learning from the Behavior of Others: Conformity, Fads and Informational Cascades”, *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, 12(3)151-170
4. Chwe, Michael (2000) “Communication and Coordination in Social Networks”, *Review of Economic Studies*, 67,1,1-16.
5. Eli Berman and David Laitin (2008) “Religion, Terrorism and Public Goods: Testing the Club Model”, *Journal of Public Economics*.
6. Fergusson, Leopoldo and Carlos Molina (2019) Facebook Causes Protests, Lacea working paper
7. Munoz, Jordi and Anduiza, Eva (2019), “If a Fight Starts, Watch the Crowd”: The Effect of Violence on Popular Support for Social Movements”, *Journal of Peace Research*
8. Timur Kuran (1991) “Now Out of Never: The Element of Surprise in the East European Revolutions”, *World Politics*
9. Kurt Schock (2013) “The Practice and Study of Civil Resistance” *Journal of Peace Research*
10. Erica Chenoweth and Maria Stephan (2008) “Why Civil Disobedience Works: The Strategic Logic of Nonviolent Conflict, *International Security*, 33, 1, p7-44.

6.1 The aftermath of conflict

1. Saumitra Jha and Steven Wilkinson (2021) “Wars and Freedoms: a book proposal”, to be posted to Canvas.
2. Leonard Wantchekon and Omar Garcia-Ponce (2015) Critical Junctures: Independence Movements and Democracy in Africa
3. Christoph Koenig (2015) Loose Cannons: War Veterans and the Erosion of Democracy in Germany, TWERP working paper.
4. James Fearon and David Laitin (2014) Does Contemporary Armed Conflict have ‘Deep Historical Roots’, mimeo, Stanford.
5. Saumitra Jha and Steven Wilkinson (2012) “Does Combat Experience Foster Organizational Skill? Evidence from the Partition of South Asia”, *American Political Science Review*
6. Saumitra Jha and Steven Wilkinson (2019) “Marching on the Bastille: Combat Experience, Local Organizational Capacity and Political Change in Revolutionary France”, mimeo, Stanford.

7. Christopher Blattman (2010) “From Violence to Voting” *American Political Science Review*
8. Alberto Abadie and Javier Gardeazabal (2003) “The Economic Costs of Conflict: A Case-Control Study for the Basque Country.” *American Economic Review* 93.1: 113-132.

Background

1. John Bellows and Edward Miguel (2008) “War and Collective Action in Sierra Leone” *Journal of Public Economics*.
2. Sebastian Galliani, Martin Rossi and Ernesto Schargrotsky (2011) “Conscription and Crime” *AEJ: Applied Economics*
3. Joshua Angrist (1990) “Lifetime earnings and the Vietnam era draft lottery: evidence from Social Security administrative records” *American Economic Review*, Vol 80:3, pg 313-336.

Historical Cases: India (1947), Japan (20C), Spain (20C), Uganda (1990s-2000s), Africa (20C), Israel (21C)

6.2 Corruption and “forensic” economics

Discussion focus

1. Melissa Dell “Trafficking Networks and the Mexican Drug War” *American Economic Review* .*
2. Paulina Oliva (2015) “Environmental Regulation and Corruption: Automobile Emissions in Mexico City” *Journal of Political Economy* *
3. Todd Kumler, Judith Frias and Eric Verhoogen (2013) Enlisting Employees in Improving Payroll-Tax Compliance: Evidence from Mexico, mimeo, Columbia
4. Arindrajit Dube, Ethan Kaplan and Suresh Naidu (2011) “Coups, Corporations and Classified Information”, NBER working paper *
5. Finan, Federico and Claudio Ferraz (2008) “Exposing Corrupt Politicians”, *Quarterly Journal of Economics**
6. Raymond Fisman and Edward Miguel (2008) “Corruption, Norms, and Legal Enforcement: Evidence from Diplomatic Parking Tickets”, *Journal of Political Economy* * * OR
7. Raymond Fisman and Shang-Jin Wei (2009), “The Smuggling of Art, and the Art of Smuggling: Uncovering the Illicit Trade in Cultural Property and Antiques”, *AEJ: Applied*.*

8. Eliana la Ferrara and Stefano della Vigna (2010), “Detecting Illegal Arms Trade” , *AEJ: Economic Policy*
9. Saumitra Jha, Peter Koudijs and Marcos Salgado (2021), Markets under Siege: How Differences in Political Beliefs can move Financial Markets, *Stanford GSB working paper*.

Background

1. Shleifer, Andrei and Robert Vishny (1993) “Corruption” *The Quarterly Journal of Economics*, Vol. 108, No. 3, pp. 599-617, August
2. Vito Tanzi (1997) “Corruption: Arm’s Length Relationships and Markets” chapter 7 in *The economics of organised crime*, Gianluca Fiorentini and Sam Peltzman eds., Cambridge University Press
3. Raymond Fisman (2001) “Estimating the Value of Political Connections”, *The American Economic Review*, Vol. 91, No. 4, pp. 1095-1102

Historical Cases: Guatemala, Iran (20C), Indonesia (20C), Mexico (21C)

6.3 Complementarities and institutions

Discussion focus

1. Saumitra Jha (2014) ‘Unfinished Business’: Historic Complementarities, Political Competition and Ethnic Violence in Gujarat *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*
2. Avner Greif and David Laitin (2004) “A Theory of Endogenous Institutional Change”, *American Political Science Review* *
3. Paul Milgrom, Yingyi Qian and John Roberts (1991) “Complementarities, Momentum and the Evolution of Modern Manufacturing” *American Economic Association Papers and Proceedings*, 85-89. *
4. Paul Milgrom and John Roberts (1990) “The Evolution of Modern Manufacturing”, *American Economic Review*
5. Ernest Liu (2019) Industrial Policies in Production Networks, *Quarterly Journal of Economics*

Background

1. Susan Athey, Paul Milgrom and John Roberts (1998) *Robust Comparative Statics*, mimeo, Stanford.
2. Paul Milgrom and John Roberts (1994) “Comparing Equilibria”, *American Economic Review*

3. Paul Milgrom, Susan Gates and John Roberts (1996) “Complementarities in the Transition from Socialism: a Firm-Level Analysis” in John McMillan and Barry Naughton (eds) *Reforming Asian Socialism: the Growth of Market Institutions*, University of Michigan Press, Ann Arbor
4. Alberto Diaz-Cayeros, Juan Espinosa-Balbuena and Saumitra Jha (2021) “Pandemic Spikes and Broken Spears”, Stanford GSB working paper

Historical Cases: Russia, Poland, Czech Republic (20C), Mexico (15C)

6.4 Political risks and uncertainty

1. Tarek Hassan, Stephan Hollander, Laurence van Lent and Ahmed Tahoun, forthcoming, “Firm-Level Political Risk: Measurement and Effects”, *Quarterly Journal of Economics*
2. Nick Bloom et al (2019) The Impact of Brexit on UK Firms, NBER working paper
3. TBA

6.5 Media and Politics

1. Beraja, Martin, David Yang and Noam Yuchtman (2021) Data-intensive Innovation and the State: Evidence from AI Firms in China, mimeo, Harvard.
2. Song, Lena (2021) “The Heterogeneous Effects of Social Media Content on Racial Attitudes”, NYU job market paper
3. Carney, Kevin (2021) The Effect of Social Media on Voters: Evidence from an Indian Election, Harvard job market paper
4. Bursztyn, Leo, Georgy Egorov, Ruben Enikolopov and Maria Petrova (2020) Social Media and Xenophobia: Evidence from Russia, mimeo.
5. Karsten Müller and Carlo Schwarz (2021) Fanning the Flames of Hate: Social Media and Hate Crime, *Journal of the European Economic Association*
6. Karsten Müller and Carlo Schwarz (2019) From Hashtag to Hate Crime: Twitter and Anti-Minority Sentiment, mimeo, Warwick
7. Michael Thaler (2019) The “Fake News” Effect: An Experiment on Motivated Reasoning and Trust in News, mimeo, Harvard
8. Yuyu Chen and David Yang (2019) The Impact of Media Censorship, *American Economic Review*

6.6 The importance of leaders in development

Discussion focus

1. Julia Cage, Anna Dagherret, Pauline Grosjean and Saumitra Jha (2021) “Heroes and Villains: The Effects of Heroism on Autocratic Values and Collaboration in War-Time France”, *Stanford GSB working paper*.
2. Christian Dippel and Stephan Hebllich (2021) “Leadership in Social Networks: Evidence from the Forty-Eighters in the Civil War”, *American Economic Review*
3. Patrick Francois, Ilia Rainer and Francesco Trebbi (2015) “The Dictator’s Inner Circle, mimeo, UBC.
4. Sandeep Baliga and Tomas Sjoström (2012) “The Strategy of Manipulating Conflict”, *American Economic Review*.
5. Daron Acemoglu and Matt Jackson (2011) “History, Expectations and Leadership in the Evolution of Social Norms” mimeo, MIT.
6. Ben Olken and Benjamin Jones (2007) “Hit or Miss? The Effect of Assassinations on Institutional Change and War” *NBER Working Paper 13102* *
7. Ben Olken and Benjamin Jones (2005) “Do Leaders Matter? National Leadership and Growth since World War II” *Quarterly Journal of Economics* 120 (3), pp. 835-864, August 2005. *
8. Gerard Padro (2007) “The Control of Politicians in Divided Societies: The Politics of Fear”, *Review of Economic Studies* 74(4): 1259-12747.
9. Edward Glaeser (2005) “The Political Economy of Hatred” *Quarterly Journal of Economics*
10. Timur Kuran (1989) “Sparks and Prairie Fires: A Theory of Unanticipated Political Revolution”, *Public Choice*, 61:41-74

6.7 The origins of the state and state capacity

1. Charles Angelucci, Simone Meraglia and Nico Voigtlander (2018) How Merchant Towns Shaped Parliaments, mimeo, UCLA
2. Susan Athey, Emilio Calvano and Saumitra Jha (2021) “A Theory of Community Formation and Social Hierarchy”, Stanford GSB working paper.
3. Sascha Becker, Andreas Ferrara, Eric Melander and Luigi Pascali (2021) “Wars, Taxation and Representation”, to be posted to Canvas.
4. Raul Sanchez de la Sierra (2015) “On the Origins of States: Stationary Bandits and Taxation in Eastern Congo”, mimeo, Berkeley

5. Joram Mayshar, Omer Moav and Zvika Neeman. (2015) “Geography, Transparency, and Institutions”, CEPR Discussion Paper 9625
6. Paul Seabright (2013) “The Birth of Hierarchy” in Kim Sterelny et al. eds *Cooperation and its Evolution*
7. Enrico Spolaore and Romain Wacziarg (2013) “How Deep are Roots of Economic Development?” *Journal of Economic Literature*
8. Gregory K. Dow and Clyde G. Reed (2013), “The Origins of Inequality: Insiders, Outsiders, Elites, and Commoners,” *Journal of Political Economy*, 121, 609-641.

Historical Cases: Egypt, Mesopotamia, the Pacific Northwest

6.8 Democratisation and threats to democracy

Discussion focus

1. Toke Aidt and R. Franck (2013) “How To Get the Snowball Rolling and Extend the Franchise: Voting on the Great Reform Act of 1832” *Public Choice*
2. Alessandro Lizzeri and Nicola Persico (2004) “Why Did the Elites Extend the Suffrage? Democracy and the Scope of Government, with an Application to Britain’s Age of Reform.” *Quarterly Journal of Economics* (May 2004).
3. Tim Besley and Torsten Persson (2016) “Democratic Values and Institutions”, available on Canvas.

Background

1. Daron Acemoglu, Suresh Naidu, Pascual Restrepo, James Robinson (2014) “Democracy Does Cause Growth” *NBER working paper*
2. Adam Przeworski (2007) “Conquered or Granted? A History of Suffrage Extensions” mimeo, NYU.
3. Dani Rodrik and Romain Wacziarg (2005) “Do Democratic Transitions Produce Bad Economics Outcomes?” *American Economic Review Papers and Proceedings*, May, pp. 50-55
4. Daron Acemoglu and James A. Robinson (2000) “Why Did The West Extend The Franchise? Democracy, Inequality, And Growth In Historical Perspective,” *The Quarterly Journal of Economics*, MIT Press, vol. 115(4), pages 1167-1199, November.
5. Carles Boix (2003) *Democracy and Redistribution*, Cambridge University Press

Historical Cases: England (19C)

6.9 Globalization, populism and political backlash

1. Autor, Dorn, Hansen, Majlesi (2017) Importing Political Polarization: The Electoral Consequences of Rising Trade Exposure *NBER working paper*
2. Autor, Dorn and Hansen (2016) The China Shock: Learning from Labor-Market Adjustment to Large Changes in Trade, *Annual Review of Economics*
3. Thiemo Fetzer (2019) Did Austerity Cause Brexit? *American Economic Review*
4. Christian Dippel, Avner Greif and Daniel Trefler (2015) The Rents from Trade and Coercive Institutions: Removing the Sugar Coating, mimeo, Toronto.
5. Diego Puga and Daniel Trefler (2014) “International Trade and Institutional Change: Medieval Venice’s Response to Globalization”, *Quarterly Journal of Economics*
6. Helen Milner and Bumba Mukherjee (2011) “Democracy and Trade Policy in Developing Countries: Particularism and Domestic Politics with a case study of India”, mimeo, Princeton
7. Petia Topalova (2010) “Factor Immobility and Regional Impacts of Trade Liberalization: Evidence on Poverty from India.” *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, 2(4): 1-41.
8. J. Ernesto Lopez-Cordova and Christopher Meissner (2008) “The Impact of International Trade on Democracy: A Long Run Perspective” *World Politics* 60, 4, 539-575.

Background

1. Goldsmith-Pinkham, Sorkin and Swift (2019) Bartik Instruments: What, When, Why and How?, NBER working paper
2. A. Kerem Cosar and Pablo D. Fajgelbaum (2016) “Internal Geography, International Trade and Regional Specialization” *American Economic Journal: Microeconomics*
3. Helen Milner and Bumba Mukherjee (2009) “Democratization and Economic Globalization” *Annual Review of Political Science*, 12, 163-181
4. Ron Rogowski (1990) *Commerce and Coalitions*, Princeton University Press

Historical Cases Venice (9C-18C), Caribbean (19C), Latin America (20C), South Asia (20C)