

## Development Economics 1

### Teaching

24 hours of lectures in Michaelmas Term

### Lecturers

Alison Andrew (weeks 5, 6 and 8), Stefano Caria (weeks 2-4, convenor)

### Assessment

2 hours written exam. Part A of the exam will have a number of short compulsory questions. Part B of the exam will include longer, analytical questions. Students will be able to choose which questions to answer in Part B.

### Objectives

This course will introduce you to several central topics in (micro) development economics. These topics provide key microeconomic building blocks to understand the behavior of workers, households and firms, and to formulate policies that address market failures and tackle inequality. The course material is highly policy relevant, since it provides the foundations to developing evidenced answers to central policy questions in low-income countries such as “how can we reduce poverty?”, “how we can we raise female employment?” and “how can we boost firm productivity?”.

We will cover a mix of core theories, descriptive evidence, and causal evidence.

### Course materials and Reading list

All slides will be posted on Canvas shortly before the relevant lectures.

There is no set textbook for the course.

Relevant readings for weeks 2-4 will be listed at the end of each slide deck. For weeks 5, 6, and 8, Professor Andrew has prepared a separate document (available on Canvas) that contains extensive lecture notes and a reading list.

### Course schedule

**Please note that no lectures are scheduled for Week 1 and Week 7.**

Week	Topic	Lecturer
Week 2	Poverty and social protection	Stefano Caria
Week 3	Workers	Stefano Caria
Week 4	Firms	Stefano Caria
Week 5	Households	Alison Andrew
Week 6	Households	Alison Andrew
Week 8	Households	Alison Andrew