

POLITICAL ECONOMY
Discussions 2018/2019

	Class date	Topics / Literature
1	20.02.2019	Introductory meeting – course organization
2	27.03.2019	Methodological and technical remarks on writing papers
3	6.03.2019	Course organization contd.
4	13.03.2019	Political Economy of Growth and Development 1. The role of institutions for economic growth Acemoglu D., Robinson J. (2008), <i>The Role of Institutions in Growth and Development</i> , Commission on Growth and Development Working Paper No. 10 (online: http://siteresources.worldbank.org/EXTPREMNET/Resources/489960-1338997241035/Growth_Commission_Working_Paper_10_Role_Institutions_Growth_Development.pdf)
5	20.03.2019	Political Economy of Democracy 2. Does democratization foster economic growth? Barro R. J. (2000), <i>Rule of Law, Democracy and Economic Performance</i> , [in:] <i>2000 Index of Economic Freedom</i> , The Heritage Foundation (online: http://s3.amazonaws.com/zanran_storage/www.geser.net/ContentPages/757624246.pdf)
6	27.03.2019	Democracy and Property Rights 3. Electoral democracy and liberal democracy Mukand S., Rodrik D. (2015), <i>The political economy of liberal democracy</i> , NBER Working Paper No. 21540, National Bureau of Economic Research, parts 1-2, 5-6 (online: http://www.nber.org/papers/w21540.pdf)
7	3.04.2019	Political Economy of Transition 4. Economic transition and the post-socialist society Guriev S. M., Zhuravskaya E., (2009), <i>(Un)Happiness in Transition</i> , Journal of Economic Perspectives, 23(2): 143-168 (online: http://pubs.aeaweb.org/doi/pdfplus/10.1257/jep.23.2.143)
8	17.04.2019	Political Economy of Violence 5. Governance of violent criminal organizations Leeson P. T. (2007), <i>An-arrgh-chy: The Law and Economics of Pirate Organization</i> , Journal of Political Economy, Vol. 115(6): 1049-1094 (online: via the University Library)
9	24.04.2019	Political Economy and Individual Well-Being

		6. Institutions and happiness Frey B. S., Stutzer A. (2000), <i>Happiness, Economy and Institutions</i> , CESifo Working Papers No. 246 (online: http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=203211)
10	8.05.2019	International Political Economy 7. Foreign aid and growth from the political economy perspective Easterly W. (2003), <i>Can Foreign Aid Buy Growth?</i> , Journal of Economic Perspectives, Vol. 17(3): 23-48 (online: http://pubs.aeaweb.org/doi/pdfplus/10.1257/089533003769204344)
11	15.05.2019	Political Economy of European Integration 8. The role of politics and economics for European integration Spolaore E. (2013), <i>What Is European Integration Really About? A Political Guide for Economists</i> , Journal of Economic Perspectives, 27(3): 125-44. (online: http://pubs.aeaweb.org/doi/pdfplus/10.1257/jep.27.3.125)
12	22.05.2019	Political Economy of Taxation 9. Political economy of tax evasion Slemrod J. (2007), <i>Cheating Ourselves: The Economics of Tax Evasion</i> , Journal of Economic Perspectives, Vol. 21(1): 25-48 (online: http://pubs.aeaweb.org/doi/pdfplus/10.1257/jep.21.1.25)
13	29.05.2019	Political Economy of Unemployment 10. Flexicurity: can we combine high unemployment benefits with a flexible labor market? Yann A., Cahuc P. (2006), <i>Civic attitudes and the design of labor market institutions: which countries can implement the Danish flexicurity model?</i> , IZA Discussion Papers, No. 1928. (online: http://vef.merit.unu.edu/docs/50621172X.pdf)
14	5.06.2019	Political Economy of Equality Between Men and Women. Summary 11. Equality between men and women and economic development Duflo E. (2005, rev. 2011), <i>Women's Empowerment and Economic Development</i> , BREAD Policy Paper No. 029, The Bureau for Research and Economic Analysis of Development (online: http://ibread.org/bread/system/files/bread_ppapers/p029.pdf)