

Continuously updated plan for Econ 5700, Fall 2016

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Tools: Stata.

Topics:

- Growth models: Solow, OLG, Malthus; poverty traps
 - Slides on course website
 - Ashraf and Galor (2011, pp. 2005-2009): the Malthus model
- Convergence/divergence
 - Slides on course website
 - * Barro (1996, pp. 3-31)
 - * Mankiw (1995, pp. 301-309)
 - * Prichett (1997)
 - * Sokoloff and Engerman (2000)
- Inequality:
 - Slides on course website: Sala-i-Martin (2006)
 - 5110 slides: Galor and Zeira (1993)
 - Ray (2010)
- Aid:
 - Burnside and Dollar (2000)
 - Easterly et al. (2004)
 - Burnside and Dollar (2004)
 - Nunn and Qian (2014) – **will skip! Updated 31 October**
- Corruption:
 - Svensson (2005)
 - Murphy et al. (1993)
- Measurement:
 - Henderson et al. (2012)

Material covered for the first midterm: the first two bullet points above on growth models and convergence/divergence (papers, problems, slides), and what we have learned about Stata coding (Sample do file 1 on website, Problem 5 in the problems).

Format for the first midterm: The first midterm will have three questions, with subquestions labelled (a), (b), (c), and so on. Two questions will be structured as problems, but with some subquestions requiring explanations in words. One question will be based on Stata coding, but that will carry less than one third of the total mark.

Material covered for the second midterm: all that was covered on the first midterm, plus the bullet points above on inequality, aid, and corruption.

Format for the second midterm: The second midterm will have four questions, with subquestions labelled (a), (b), (c), and so on. Three questions will be structured as problems, but with some subquestions requiring explanations in words. One question will be based on Stata coding, but that will carry less than one third of the total mark.

Material covered for the third midterm: all that was covered on the first and second midterms, plus the bullet point above on measurement, but not Stata coding.

Format for the third midterm: The third midterm will have three questions, with subquestions labelled (a), (b), (c), and so on. The questions will be structured as problems, but with some subquestions requiring explanations in words. *There will be no question on Stata coding.*

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