

The Political Economy of Immigration and Emigration
POLI SCI 960: Seminar in International Relations
Tuesdays, 4:00-6:00PM

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Overview

This is a graduate level course on migration. The course covers the seminal and cutting edge research on the political economy of immigration and emigration. The course is split into four sections. The first section covers the history of migration, the sociological and economic theories on why people move and on what effects immigrants have in the receiving country. The next section covers the politics of immigration in the receiving country. The third section examines the effects and politics of emigration. Finally, we cover topics about the human rights aspects of migration: refugees, asylum seekers, undocumented immigrants and the effect of migration on war and conflict. Students will be exposed to a wide range of literature focused on both developed and developing nations.

Requirements

- 4 reading response papers (20% of grade)
 - Students will choose four weeks to write a 2-3 (double-spaced) reading response paper. The paper should critically respond to one or more of the readings or discuss avenues for research on that week's topic.
 - **Reading responses are due by 9PM Monday to Dropbox**
- Final paper & presentation (60% of grade)
 - Students will complete a final 15-20 page paper that will be in the style of an NSF dissertation improvement grant. The paper should clearly define the research question and why it is important; discuss the relevant literature; outline the argument; provide preliminary evidence and discuss a research plan for testing the argument. More details on the paper to follow.
 - Presentation: each student will do an International Political Economy Society (IPES) style presentation on one of the last two days of class on their research topic. Presentations should be 12 minutes long and then the class will ask the presenter questions for 15 minutes.
- Participation (20% of grade)
 - As a graduate class, I expect active participation each week. Just showing up to class will earn you a C. Additionally, students will be graded on how well they participate during other students' presentations.

Students with disabilities

People with disabilities will be fully included in this course. Please inform me if you need any special accommodations in the curriculum, instruction, or assessments of this course to enable you to participate fully. Confidentiality of the shared information will be strictly maintained. Certain accommodations may require the assistance of the McBurney Disability Office on campus. The McBurney Disability Resource Center can be reached at [\(608\) 263-2741](tel:6082632741) or via email at mcburney@odos.wisc.edu.

Readings

There are two sets of readings listed. The required readings should be read before class. The additional readings are there to help you get started on your research paper if you are interested in that topic. All the journal articles can be found through Google Scholar or other search site. Book chapters and other papers marked with an asterisk (*) will be provided on Learn@UW.

Jan. 22: Introduction

Required

- *Goldin et. al ch. 1-3 – this reading should be done before week 2

Additional

- Neuman, Gerald L. 1993. "The Lost Century of American Immigration Law (1776-1875)." *Columbia Law Review* 93(8):1833–1901.

Jan. 29: Why people move/ measuring flows

- Massey, Douglas S. et al. 1993. "Theories of International Migration: A Review and Appraisal." *Population and Development Review*
- *Fitzgerald, Leblang and Teets. 2012. "The Political Economy of International Labor Migration
- *Tomas, Summers and Clemens. 2009. "Migrants counts: Five Steps Towards Better Migration Data" *CDG*
- *Bazzi. 2012. "Wealth Heterogeneity, Income Shocks, and International Migration: Theory and Evidence from Indonesia"
- Abramitzky, Boustan, Eriksson. 2012. "Have the Poor Always Been Less Likely to Migrate? Evidence from Inheritance Practices During the Age of Mass Migration." *NBER*
- Mincer, Jacob. 1978. "Family Migration Decisions." *Journal of Political Economy* 86(5): 749-773.

Additional

- Massey, Douglas S., Joaquin Arango, Graeme Hugo, Ali Kouaouchi, Adela Pellegrino, and J. Edward Taylor. 1998. *Worlds In Motion*. Oxford: Clarendon Press. Chapters 1 and 2.
- Lee, Everett S. 1966. "A Theory of Migration." *Demography* 1:47-57.

Feb. 5: Labor market and fiscal effects of immigrants

Required

- *Card, David. 2009. "How Immigrants Affect U.S. Cities." Pages 158-200 in *Making Cities Work*. Ed. By Robert P. Inman. Princeton University Press.
- Dustmann, Christian, Tommaso Frattini, and Caroline Halls. 2010. "Assessing the Fiscal Costs and Benefits of A8 Migration to the UK." *Fiscal Studies* 31(1): 1-41.
- Zavodny, M. 1997. "Welfare and the locational choices of new immigrants." *Economic Review-Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas*: 2-10.
- Abramitzky, Boustan, Eriksson. 2012. "A Nation of Immigrants: Assimilation and Economic Outcomes in the Age of Mass Migration." NBER
- Hatton and Williamson. 2004. "International Migration in the Long-Run: Positive Selection, Negative Selection and Policy." NBER
- Feliciano. 2005. "Educational Selectivity in US Immigration: How do Immigrants Compare to Those Left Behind?" *Demography*

Additional

- Borjas. 2002. "The Impact of Welfare Reform on Immigrant Welfare Use."
- Borjas. 1987. "Self-Selection and the Earning of Immigrants" *AER*
- Borjas, Freeman, and Katz. 1996. "Searching for the Effect of Immigration on the Labor Market." *AER*
- Borjas, George J. 2001. "The Economic Progress of Immigrants." Pp. 15-50 in *Issues in the Economics of Immigration*, edited by George J. Borjas. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.
- Kesler, Christel. 2006. Social Policy and Immigrant Joblessness in Britain, Germany and Sweden. *Social Forces* 85(2): 743-770.

Feb. 12: The politics of labor market and fiscal effects of immigrants

Required

- Freeman. 1995 "Modes of Immigration Politics in Liberal Democratic States." *International Migration Review*
- Hanson, Scheve, Slaughter. 2007. "Public Finance and Individual Preferences Over Globalization Strategies" *Economics and Politics*
- Money. 1997. "No Vacancy: The political geography of immigration control in Advanced Industrial Democracies" *International Organization*
- Timmer and Williamson. 1998. "Immigration Politics Prior to the 1930s: Labor Markets, Policy Interactions, and Globalization Backlash" *Population and Development Review*
- Goldin. 1994. "The Political Economy of Immigration Restrictions in the United States, 1890 to 1921" in *The Regulated Economy: A historical Approach to Political Economy*
- *Peters. 2012. "Trade, Foreign Direct Investment and Immigration Policy Making in the US"

Additional

- Peters. 2013. "Open Trade, Closed Borders: Immigration Policy in the Era of Globalization."
- Briggs. 2001. *Immigration and American Unionism*
- Fine and Tichenor. 2009. "A movement Wrestling: American Labor's Enduring Struggle with Immigration, 1866-2007" *Studies in American Political Development*
- Avci and MacDonald. 2002. "Chipping away at the Fortress: Unions, Immigration and the Transnational Labour Market" *International Migration*
- Leblang, Peterson and Pandya "Doctors with Borders"

Feb. 19: Nativism

Required

- Hainmueller and Hiscox. 2010. "Attitudes toward Highly Skilled and Low-skilled Immigration: Evidence from a Survey Experiment" *APSR*
- Hainmueller and Hangartner. 2011. "Who Gets A Swiss Passport? A Natural Experiment in Immigrant Discrimination"
- Goldstein, Peters, and Rivers. 2013. "Support for Globalization in Good Times and Bad."
- Malhotra, Margalit and Mo. 2010. "Economic Explanations for Opposition to Immigration: Distinguishing Between Prevalence and Magnitude"
- Higham. 1955. *Strangers in the Land: Patterns of American Nativism, 1860-1925*. Ch. 1,6, 11. Available as an e-book through the library.

Additional

- Hainmueller and Hiscox. 2007. "Educated Preferences: Explaining Attitudes Toward Immigration in Europe." *International Organization*
- Olzak. 1989. "Labor Unrest, Immigration and Ethnic Conflict in Urban America, 1880-1914." *The American Journal of Sociology*.
- Castro. 1999. "Toward a New Nativism? The Immigration Debate in the United States and Its Implications for Latin America and the Caribbean" in *Free Markets, Open Societies, Closed Borders? Trends in International Migration and Immigration Policy in the Americas*.

Feb. 26: Regulations and their effects

Required

- Jasso, Guillermina, and Mark R. Rosenzweig. 1995. "Do Immigrants Screened for Skills do Better Than Family Reunification Immigrants?." *International Migration Review* 29(1): 85--- 111.
- Medina, Mariana. 2011. "Give me your Engineers, your Ph.D.s, yearning to fund my Welfare State. Fiscal Crises and High---skilled immigration Policies." Washington University in Saint Louis.
- Weil, P. 2001. "Access to citizenship: a comparison of twenty---five nationality laws." *Citizenship today: Global perspectives and practices*: 17---35.
- *Dancygier, R. 2009. "Mobilizing against Citizenship: Voter and Party Responses to the Naturalization of Immigrants."

- Solinger, Dorothy J. 1999. "Citizenship Issues in China's Internal Migration: Comparisons with Germany and Japan." *Political Science Quarterly* 114:455-78.
- Jacobson, David. 1997. *Rights Across Borders*. Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press. Chapters 1 and 5.

Additional

- Soysal, Yasemin N. 1994. *Limits of Citizenship*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press. Chapters 1 and 2.
- Chaloff, J., and G. Lemaitre. 2009. "Managing highly-skilled labour migration: a comparative analysis of migration policies and challenges in OECD countries." *OECD Social, Employment and Migration Working Papers*.
- Wasem, R. E., and C. C. Haddal. 2007. "Point Systems for Immigrant Selection: Options and Issues." In *Reports for congress. Congressional Research Service*.
- Chang, H. F. 2002. "Liberal Ideals and Political Feasibility: Guest-Worker Programs as Second-Best Policies." *Immigr. & Nat'lity L. Rev.* 23: 339.
- Jasso, Guillermina, and Mark R. Rosenzweig. 1986. "Family Reunification and the Immigration Multiplier: U.S. Immigration Law, Origin-Country Conditions, and the Reproduction of Immigrants." *Demography* 23: 291-311.

Mar. 5: How do sending states regulate migration and why?

Required

- Hirschman. 1978. "Exit, Voice, and the State." *World Politics*
- Gelbach. 2006. "A formal model of exit and voice." *Rationality and Society*
- McKenzie. 2006. "Paper Walls are Easier to Tear Down: Passport Costs and Legal Barriers to Emigration" *World Development*.
- Fitzgerald. 2006. "Inside the Sending State: The Politics of Mexican Emigration Control." *International Migration Review*
- Schmitter Heisler. 1985. "Sending Countries and the Politics of Emigration and Destination" *International Migration Review*.
- Diaz-Cayeros, Alberto, Beatriz Magaloni, and Barry R. Weingast. 2003. "Tragic Brilliance: Equilibrium Hegemony and Democratization in Mexico."

Additional

- Park. 2010. "People's Exit in North Korea: New Threat to Regime Stability?" *Pacific Focus*.
- Hoffmann. 2006. "Emigration and Regime Stability: The Persistence of Cuban Socialism." *Journal of Communist Studies and Transition Politics*

Mar. 12: Effects of emigration: brain drain and remittances

Required

- Bhagwati, Jagdish N., and Koichi Hamada. 1974. "The Brain Drain, International Integration of Markets for Professional and Unemployment: A Theoretical Analysis." *Journal of Development Economics* 1: 19-42.
- Chand and Clemens. 2008. "Skilled Emigration and Skill Creation: A quasi-experiment." *CGD*

- Kapur, Devesh. 2003. "Remittances: The New Development Mantra."
- Durand, Jorge, William Kandel, Emilio A. Parrado, and Douglas S. Massey. 1996. "International Migration and Development in Mexican Communities." *Demography* 33:249-264.
- *Bhavnani and Peters. 2013. "Migration, Politics and Public Goods: Evidence Using New Data from Kerala."
- Ahmed. 2012. "The Perils of Unearned Foreign Income: Aid, Remittances, and Government Survival" *APSR*

Additional

- Stark, Oded. 2004. "Rethinking the Brain Drain." *World Development* 32(1): 15-22.
- Yang. 2008. "Coping with Disaster: The Impact of Hurricanes on International Financial Flows, 1970-2002." *The B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy*
- Yang. 2007. "Are Remittances Insurance? Evidence from Rainfall Shocks in the Philippines." *The World Bank Economic Review*
- Kuhn, Peter J., and Carol McAusland. 2006. "The International Migration of Knowledge Workers: When is Brain Drain Beneficial?"
- Brown, Stuart S. 2006. "Can Remittances Spur Development? A Critical Survey." *International Studies Review* 8: 55-75.
- Lopez-Cordova, Ernesto. "International remittances and development: existing evidence, policies, and recommendations."
- Clemens, Michael. 2007. "Do Visas Kill? Health Effects of African Health Professional Emigration."
- Boucher, Steve, Oded Stark, J. Edward Taylor. 2005. "A Drain with a Gain? Evidence from Rural Mexico on the New Economics of the Brain Drain." Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics, University of California Davis.

Mar. 19: How migration connects to trade and capital flows and policy?

Note: I will be away on March 19 – we will need to determine a day to make up class

Required

- Mundell. 1957. "International Trade and Factor Mobility" *AER*
- Esteves, Rui, and David Khoudour-Casteras. 2009. "A Fantastic Rain of Gold: European Migrants' Remittances and Balance of Payments Adjustment During the Gold Standard Period." *The Journal of Economic History* 69(4): 951-985.
- Singer, David Andrew. 2010. "Migrant Remittances and Exchange Rate Regimes in the Developing World." *American Political Science Review* 104(2): 307-323.
- Leblang. 2010. "Familiarity Breeds Investment: Diaspora Networks and International Investment." *APSR*
- Bermeo and Leblang. 2012. "Foreign Interests"
- Bo and Jacks. 2012. "Trade, Variety and Immigration" NBER

Additional

- Leblang and Pandya. 2012 "Deal or No Deal."
- Markusen, James R. 1983. "Factor movements and commodity trade as

complements.” *Journal of International Economics* 14(3-4):341– 356.

- O’Rourke, Kevin H. and Jeffrey G. Williamson. 1999. *Globalization and History: The Evolution of a Nineteenth-Century Atlantic Economy*. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press.
- Hatton, Timothy J. and Jeffrey G. Williamson. 2005b. *Global Migration and the World Economy*. Cambridge, MA: The MIT Press.
- Hatton and Williamson. “A Dual Policy Paradox: Why Have Trade and Immigration Policies Always Differed in Labor-Scarce Economies?” in T. Hatton, K. O’Rourke and A. Taylor (eds.), *THE NEW COMPARATIVE ECONOMIC HISTORY* (Cambridge, Mass.: MIT Press, 2007).

Mar. 26: Spring break – NO CLASS

Apr. 2: International Cooperation on Migration

Required

- Peters. 2013. “Immigration, Delegation and International Law”
- *Hanson, Koehler, and Money. 2011. “Migration, Nation States, and International Cooperation.” Chapters TBD.
- Holborn, Louise W. 1965. “International Organizations for Migration of European Nationals and Refugees.” *International Journal* 20(3):331–349
- *Money. 2013 “The Limits of International Cooperation on Migration: Bilateral Readmission Agreements in the European Context”

Apr. 9: Refugees and Asylum Seekers

Required

- *Chimni, B. S, ed. 2000. *International refugee law: A reader*. New Delhi: Sage Publications. Ch. 1, 2.
- *Gibney, M. J. 2004. *The ethics and politics of asylum*. Cambridge University Press. Ch. 3, 5
- Salehyan, Idean, and Marc R. Rosenblum. 2008. “International Relations, Domestic Politics, and Asylum Admissions in the United States.” *Political Research Quarterly* 61(1): 104-121.
- Kaye, R. 1994. “Defining the agenda: British refugee policy and the role of parties.” *Journal of Refugee Studies* 7(2-3): 144.
- Holzer, Thomas, Gerald Schneider, and Thomas Widmer. 2000. “Discriminating Decentralization: Federalism and the Handling of Asylum Applications in Switzerland, 1988-1996.” *The Journal of Conflict Resolution* 44(2): 250-276.
- Neumayer, Eric. 2005. “Asylum Recognition Rates in Western Europe: Their Determinants, Variation, and Lack of Convergence.” *The Journal of Conflict Resolution* 49(1): 43-66.

Additional

- Boswell, Christina. 2000. “European Values and the Asylum Crisis.” *International Affairs (Royal Institute of International Affairs 1944-)* 76(3): 537-557.
- Keely, Charles B. 1996. “How Nation-States Create and Respond to Refugee Flows.” *International Migration Review*. 30: 1046-66.

Apr. 16: Migration and War

Required

- Salehyan and Gleditch. 2006. "Refugees and the Spread of War" *International Organization*
- Salehyan. 2008. "The Externalities of Civil Strife: Refugees as a Source of International Conflict" *American Journal of Political Science*
- Wayland. 2004. "Ethnonationalist Networks and Transnational Opportunities: The Sri Lankan Tamil Diaspora" *Review of International Studies*
- King and Melvin. 1999. "Diaspora Politics: Ethnic Linkages, Foreign Policy, and Security in Eurasia." *International Security*.

Additional

- Salehyan. 2009. *Rebels without Borders: Transnational Insurgencies in World Politics*.

Apr. 23: Undocumented Migration and Border Control

Required

- Cornelius and Salehyan 2007 "Does border enforcement deter unauthorized immigration? The case of Mexican migration to the United States of America" *Regulation and Governance*
- Adamson (2006) "Crossing Borders: International Migration and National Security" *International Security*
- Freeman, Gary P. 1994. "Can Liberal States Control Unwanted Migration?" *Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science* 534: 17-30.
- Joppke, Christian. 1998. "Why Liberal States Accept Unwanted Immigration." *World Politics* 50(2): 266-293.
- Chacón, Jennifer M. 2007. "Unsecured Borders, Immigration Restrictions, Crime Control, and National Security." *Connecticut Law Review* 39(5): 1827-1891.
- *Hollifield, James. 2004. "France: Republicanism and the Limits of Immigration Control." Pages 183-220 in *Controlling Immigration*. Edited by Cornelius, Tsuda, Martin, and Hollifield. Stanford University Press.

Additional

- Massey, Douglas S., Jorge Durand, and Nolan A. Malone. 2002. *Beyond Smoke and Mirrors*. New York: Russell Sage Foundation. Chapter 6.
- Tirman, J. 2004. *The Maze of Fear: Security and Migration after 9/11*. New York: the New Press.
- Faist, Thomas. 2002. "„Extension du domaine de la lutte“: International Migration and Security before and after September 11, 2001." *International Migration Review* 36(1):7-14.

Apr. 30: First day of presentations

May 7: Second day of presentation