

Master-Seminar „Empirical Economics“

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Topics

A) International Economics

Droughts and Agricultural Trade (Stefanie Hock)

Felbermayr, G., Gröschl, J. and Heid, B. (2020). Quantifying the Demand, Supply, and Welfare Effects of Natural Disasters Using Monthly Trade Data. CESifo Working Paper No. 8798.

Osberghaus, D. (2019). The Effects of Natural Disasters and Weather Variations on International Trade and Financial Flows: A Review of the Empirical Literature. *Economics of Disasters and Climate Change*, 3(3): 305–25.

Foreign Investments, Real Estate and Macroeconomic Impact (Stefanie Hock)

Cesa-Bianchi, A. (2013). Housing Cycles and Macroeconomic Fluctuations: A Global Perspective. *Journal of International Money and Finance*, 37: 215–38.

Choi, C. (2006). Does Foreign Direct Investment Affect Domestic Income Inequality? *Applied Economics Letters* 13(12): 811–14.

Trade Protection and Global Value Chain integration (João Oliveira)

Kim, S.Y. and Spilker, G. (2019). Global Value Chains and the Political Economy of WTO Disputes. *Review of International Organizations*, 14(2): 39–260

Bown, C. P., Erbahar, A. and Zanardi, M. (2021) Global value chains and the removal of trade protection. *European Economic Review*, 140: 103937.

Globalization and Bankruptcies in 19th Century UK (Tobias Korn)

Autor, D. H., D. Dorn, and G. H. Hanson (2013). The China syndrome: Local labor market effects of import competition in the United States. *American Economic Review*, 103(6): 2121-2168.

Federico, G and A Tena-Junguito (2017b), A tale of two globalizations: Gains from trade and openness 1800–2010, *Review of World Economics*, 153: 601–626

B) POLITICAL ECONOMY

Did Merchant Guilds Promote Early Cartel Formation? (Tobias Korn)

Sheilagh Ogilvie (2019). The European Guilds: An Economic Analysis. *Princeton University Press*.

Wahl, Fabian (2019). Political Participation and Economic Development. Evidence from the Rise of Participative Political Institutions in the Late Medieval German Lands. *European Review of Economic History*, 23(2): 193-213

Consequences of Terrorism (Martin Gassebner)

Gaibullov, K., Sandler, T. (2019). What we have learned about terrorism since 9/11. *Journal of Economic Literature*, 57(2): 275-328.

Brodeur, A. (2018). The effect of terrorism on employment and consumer sentiment: Evidence from successful and failed terror attacks. *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, 10(4): 246-82.

Effects of Communal Reforms (Martin Gassebner)

Blom-Hansen, J, Houlberg, K., Serritzlew, S., Treisman, D. (2016). Jurisdiction Size and Local Government Policy Expenditure: Assessing the Effect of Municipal Amalgamation. *American Political Science Review*, 110(4): 812– 831.

Egger, P., Koethenbueger, M., Loumeau, G. (2022). Local Border Reforms and Economic Activity. *Journal of Economic Geography*, 22(1): 81-102.

Historical Roots of Urban Environmental Disparities (Julian Wichert)

Heblich S., Trew A., Zylberberg Y. (2021). East Side Story: Historical Pollution and Persistent Neighborhood Sorting. *Journal of Political Economy*, 129(5): 1508–1552.

Namin S., Xu W., Zhou Y., Beyer K. (2020). The legacy of the Home Owners' Loan Corporation and the political ecology of urban trees and air pollution in the United States, *Social Science & Medicine*, Volume 246, 112758.

C) DEVELOPMENT ECONOMICS

Health and Education Outcomes following Natural Disasters (Julian Wichert)

Maccini, S., Yang, D. (2009). Under the weather: Health, schooling, and economic consequences of early-life rainfall. *American Economic Review*, 99(3): 1006-26.

Lohmann, S., Lechtenfeld, T. (2015). The effect of drought on health outcomes and health expenditures in rural Vietnam. *World Development*, 72: 432-48.

Important Dates and Deadlines

Official registration in writing (via email or drop off in room I-056)	April 11
Hand-in of your seminar thesis (via email)	May 29, 23:59
Assignment of the paper you will be discussing in the seminar	May 30
Seminar	June 10

Grade determination

Seminar thesis	50%
Oral presentation of your thesis	25%
Discussion of your assigned paper	12.5%
Active participation in the seminar	12.5%

Formalities of the seminar thesis

Contact Prof. Dr. Gassebner by email and indicate the topic(s) you are interested in as soon as possible. The topics will be allocated on a first come-first serve basis.

Once you are assigned to your topic, contact your supervisor before you start working. They will help you with obtaining the data necessary for your paper.

The paper must be of empirical nature.

Length: 15-20 pages; including everything. Deviations of more than 10% in either direction will lead to a reduction of the grade.

Be sure to properly cite all sources you are using. Plagiarism will lead to a failing grade.

Wikipedia is NOT a scientific source!