

ATA 68C
Economy, Society and the State

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This is an introductory course on economic sociology and selected themes in this subfield, particularly institutions and the state. Students are expected to keep up with the readings and participate in class discussion. Requirements and distribution of grades are as follows:

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| 1) 6 Reflection/ response papers (2 pages each) | 30 % |
| 2) Participation/ attendance | 20 % |
| <i>(More than 2 absences will negatively impact your grade. More than 3 absences is an F)</i> | |
| 3) Final exam | 20% |
| 4) Final research proposal (10+ pages) | 30 % |

Schedule of Readings (subject to revision)

1 Introduction (Feb. 6)

2/3 Historical – Sociological Sketches (Feb 13- 20)

Gianfranco Poggi (1978) The Development of the Modern State: A Sociological Introduction (Stanford University Press), *Chs. 1-5*, pp. 1-116

Pierre Bourdieu (1998) “Rethinking the State: Genesis and Structure of the Bureaucratic Field” in Pierre Bourdieu Practical Reason (Stanford University Press) pp. 35-63

Herman M. Schwartz (2010) States versus Markets, The Emergence of a Global Economy (Palgrave MacMillan, 3rd ed.), *Chs. 1-7*, pp. 1-174

4 Economic Action & Institutions (February 27)

Marion Fourcade (2007) “Theories of Markets and Theories of Society,” American Behavioral Scientist, 50: 1015-1034

Carlo Trigilia (1998) Economic Sociology: State, Market and Society in Modern Capitalism (Blackwell), Chs. Int. & 1-2, pp. 1-53

Max Weber (1978) "Bureaucracy" in Economy and Society, pp. 956-1005

Nicole Woolsey Biggart, ed. (2002) Readings in Economic Sociology, (Ch.3 – Economy and Society: An Outline of Interpretive Sociology), pp. 24-37

Pierre Bourdieu (2004) "The Forms of Capital," in Stephen J. Ball (ed.) RoutledgeFalmer Handbook of Sociology of Education (RoutledgeFalmer), pp. 15-29

5 Capital, Class and the State (March 5)

Colin Hay (1999) "Marxism and the State" in Andrew Gamble, David Marsh and Tony Tant, eds. Marxism and Social Science (Palgrave), pp. 152-174

Friedrich Engels (1884) "The Origin of the Family, Private Property and the State" in Robert Tucker (ed.) Marx Engels Reader (2nd ed. 1978), pp. 734-759.

Nicole Woolsey Biggart, ed. (2002) Readings in Economic Sociology, (Chs. Introduction, 1,2), pp. 3-24

6 Embeddedness ? (March 12)

Mark Granovetter (1985) "Economic Action and Social Structure: The Problem of Embeddedness," American Journal of Sociology 91(3): 481-510

Alejandro Portes & Julia Sensenbrenner (1993) "Embeddedness and Immigration: Notes on the Social Determinants of Economic Action," American Journal of Sociology 98(6): 1320-1350

Greta Krippner (2001) "The Elusive Market: Embeddedness and the Paradigm of Economic Sociology," Theory and Society 30: 775-810

Michael Burawoy (2003) "For a Sociological Marxism: The Contemporary Convergence of Antonio Gramsci and Karl Polanyi," Politics and Society 31(2): 193-261

Karl Polanyi (1957) "The Economy as Instituted Process" in Trade and Market in the Early Empires (The Free Press), pp. 243-269

7 Capitalism and Welfare (States) (March 19)

Nicole Woolsey Biggart, ed. (2002) Readings in Economic Sociology, (Ch. 4, The Great Transformation, Karl Polanyi), pp. 38-61

Nicole Woolsey Biggart, ed. (2002) Readings in Economic Sociology, (Ch. 12, Rethinking Capitalism, Fred Block), pp. 219-230

Fred Block and Peter Evans (2005) "The State and the Economy", in Smelser, Neil and Richard Swedberg, eds. The Handbook of Economic Sociology (Princeton, 2nd ed.), 505-526.

Somers, Margaret and Fred Block. 2005. "From Poverty to Perversity: Ideas, Markets, and Institutions over 200 Years of Welfare Debate." American Sociological Review 70(2):260-87.

8 Developmental States / Economic Transformations (March 26)

Peter Evans (1995) Embedded Autonomy: States and Industrial Transformation (Princeton), pp. 3-74

Vivek Chibber (2006) Locked in Place: State Building and Late Industrialization in India (Princeton), pp. 1-109

9 Towards Neoliberal Globalism (April 2)

David Harvey (2007) "Neoliberalism as Creative Destruction" The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science (610) 21-44

David Harvey (2001) "Globalization as Spatial Fix" geographische revue (2) 23-30

Neil Brenner (1999) "Beyond State Centrism? Space Territoriality and Geographical Scale in Globalization Studies", Theory and Society 28: 39-78

Aaron Major (2013) "Transnational State Formation and the Global Politics of Austerity", Sociological Theory 31(1): 24-48

10 Networks, Chains, Markets (April 9)

Eric Sheppard (2002) "The Spaces and Times of Globalization: Place, Scale, Networks and Positionality," Economic Geography 78(3): 307-30.

Jennifer Bair (2009) "Analysing Global Economic Organization: Embedded Networks and Global Chains Compared," Economy and Society 37(3): 339-364

Gernot Grabher (2006) "Trading Routes, Bypasses and Risky Intersections: Mapping the Travels of 'Networks' between Economic Sociology and Economic Geography," Progress in Human Geography 30(2): 163-189

Laurel Smith-Doerr (2005) "Networks and Economic Life" in Neil Smelser and Richard Swedberg, eds. The Handbook of Economic Sociology (2nd ed.) (Princeton University Press), pp. 379-402

Alejandro Portes & William Haller (2005) "The Informal Economy" in Neil Smelser and Richard Swedberg, eds. The Handbook of Economic Sociology (2nd ed.) (Princeton University Press) 403- 427

11 Finance (April 16)

Bruce G. Carruthers and Jeong-Chul Kim (2011) "The Sociology of Finance" Annual Review of Sociology 37:239–59

Gerald Davis and Suntae Kim (2015) "Financialization of the Economy" Annual Review of Sociology 41: 203-21

Linda Brewster Stearns & Mark S. Mizruchi (2005) "Banking and Financial Markets," in Neil Smelser and Richard Swedberg, eds. The Handbook of Economic Sociology (2nd ed.) (Princeton University Press), 284-306

Krippner, Greta R. 2005. "The Financialization of the American Economy." Socio-Economic Review 3(2):173-208.

12 Morals and Markets (April 30)

Mark Granovetter (2017) Society and Economy: Frameworks and Principles (Harvard), Ch. 2, pp. 26-55

Marion Fourcade and Kieran Healy (2007) "Moral Views of Market Society," Annual Review of Sociology 33:285-311

Rene Almeling (2007) "Selling Genes, Selling Gender: Egg Agencies, Sperm Banks, and the Medical Market in Genetic Material" American Sociological Review 72(3): 319- 40

Ashley Mears (2015) "Working for Free in the VIP: Relational Work and the Production of Consent," American Sociological Review 80(6): 1099-1122

13 Culture and the Economy (May 6)

Viviana A. Zelizer (2010) Economic Lives: How Culture Shapes the Economy (Princeton), pp. 89-212