

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 socio-economic 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 paper (10+ pages) | 30 % |

Schedule of Readings (subject to revision)

1 Introduction (March 18)

2 Political Economy in Historical Perspective (March 25)

Herman M. Schwartz (2010) States versus Markets, The Emergence of a Global Economy (Palgrave MacMillan, 3rd ed.), *Chs. 1-7*, pp. 1-174 (You can skip ch. 6- 123-146)

Recommended

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

3 Capital, Class and the State (April 1)

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

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.

More readings TBA

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

4 Economic Action & Institutions (April 8)

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

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

5-6 Embeddedness, Old and New (April 15-22)

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

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

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

7 Developmental States / Economic Transformations (April 29)

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

Vivek Chibber (1999) “Building a Developmental State: The Korean Case Reconsidered,” Politics and Society 27(3): 309-346

Peter Evans & Patrick Heller (2015) “Human Development, State Transformation and the Politics of the Developmental State,” in Stephen Leibfried; Evelyne Huber; Matthew Lange; Jonah D. Levy; Frank Nullmeier and John D. Stephens (eds.) The Oxford Handbook of Transformations of the State (Oxford), pp. 691-713

Optional/ Recommended: Vivek Chibber (2003) Locked in Place: State Building and Late Industrialization in India (Princeton), pp. 1-109

8 Hegemony Unraveling (May 6)

Giovanni Arrighi (2007) Adam Smith in Beijing (Verso), Chs. Intro-1, 7-9, pp. 1-39, 175-274

9 Spaces and/or Networks of Globalization (May 20)

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

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

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

10 Finance (May 27)

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

Aaron Major (2012) “Neoliberalism and the New International Financial Architecture,” Review of International Political Economy 19(4): 536-561

Neil Fligstein and Jacob Habinek (2014) “Sucker Punched by the Invisible Hand: The World Financial Markets and the Globalization of U.S. Mortgage Crisis,” Socio-Economic Review 12: 637-665

11 Of Debt, Markets and States (June 3)

Wolfgang Streeck (2015) “The Return of the Repressed”, New Left Review

Wolfgang Streeck (2012) Buying Time: The Delayed Crisis of Capitalism (Verso), TBA

12 Culture and Economy (June 10)

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