

## International Economics Development Economics

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## Advanced Development Microeconomics: Market Failures

**EI098 - Printemps - 3 ECTS**

### Course Description

The course focuses on the role that market failures play in poverty and underdevelopment. It discusses canonical papers in applied micro theory that lay out the constraints faced by individuals, and recent empirical work that quantifies the importance of these constraints or that evaluates programs that aim at alleviating them.

The lectures are organized around the topics of agriculture, entrepreneurship, credit markets and insurance.

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## Syllabus

### Grading

The evaluation consists of the presentation of a paper from the reading list (40% of grade), a literature review (40% of grade) and participation in the class discussions (20% of grade).

The presentation lasts 30 minutes and covers the main points of the paper. The presentations will be organized in the last lecture.

The literature review covers a topic of choice and should be handed in one week after the last lecture. The review should be a concise (5-6 pages) discussion of the recent advances in a topic, identifying what has been learnt and what are the remaining challenges. This review can form the basis of the literature review of your MPT or one of your chapters.

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## OUTLINE

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Readings marked with an asterisk (\*) are required and will be discussed in class. You will be expected to answer questions about these readings. You should also skim the recommended papers (indicated with \*\*). These are seminal papers that will improve your knowledge in the field, and in development economics more generally. Other readings are provided as references for students interested in a certain topic. I highly recommend you to review the abstracts of a couple of those papers to have a better sense of how these fit into the related literature. Important, the papers covered may change. The final readings will be provided seven days before each lecture.

### LECTURE 1 [APRIL 1]: INTRODUCTION

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## LECTURE 4 [APRIL 7]: CREDIT MARKETS

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