

Ambedkar University Delhi
School of Development Studies
MA Programme

Title of the Course: Development Contexts, Debates and Experiences

Type of Course: Compulsory

No. of Credits: 4

Semester: First Semester/First Year

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About the course: This course is designed to familiarise students with some major historical development debates and with reading development thought and practice critically. The core of the course is designed to give students a foundation in basic development paradigms like Keynesianism, Challenges to Keynesianism, Neoclassical Economics and the Washington Consensus, New Institutional Economics and the Post-Washington Consensus and Alternate development paradigms . These theoretical perspectives will be supplemented with policy examples and country experiences from the global South.

Brief description of modules with references:

1. What is development?
2. Political Economy of Development: A Brief History
 - a) Keynesianism
 - b) Challenges to Keynesian Developmentalism
3. Neoclassical Economics and the Washington Consensus Required Readings :
4. New Institutionalism and the Post Washington Consensus
5. Alternative Paradigms of Development
 - a) Marxian Approach to Development
 - b) Post-Developmentalism

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Toye, John. 2003.. 'Changing Perspectives In Development Economics'. In: Chang, H-J., ed. *Rethinking Development Economics*. London: Anthem Press

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Tentative Assessment schedule with details of weightage:

S.No	Assessment	Date/period in which Assessment will take place	Weightage
1	Two memos/ 1 essay	31 August	30%
2	Mid term exam	15 October (tentative)	40%
3	Term paper	30 November	30%
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