Development Economics (ECON 240)

**Credit Hours:** 4

**Course Pre-Requisites:** Econ 111 (Principles of Microeconomics) OR Econ 121 (Principles of Macroeconomics) or MECO 111 (Principles of Microeconomics) or MECO 121 (Principles of Macroeconomics)

**Instructor/s:** Saher Asad

**Schedule:** Monday to Friday (10.30 AM – 1.20 PM)

**Course Description**

This course examines the process of economic development, including the determinants of underdevelopment and poverty. We will focus on describing and understanding the many problems faced by developing countries and their citizens. Throughout the course, we will discuss policy implications of the topics we explore. We begin with an overview of economic development and models economists use to understand the process of economic development. Next, we consider the impediments to development and how they can potentially be addressed. The emphasis throughout the course will be largely on microeconomic (health, education) issues and how to address these. At the same time, we will also look at some other problems such as migration and urbanization.