



Göttingen, den 16. März 2016

Master-Seminar (Spring 2016)

Migrants and refugees

If you need further information regarding the seminar please contact Ana Abeliansky (aabelia@uni-goettingen.de).

Dates

- 26.04.2016, 16:00 (VG 1.101): introductory meeting
- 01.05.2016: submission of the application form (see last page) in room oec 2.139 or via email (aabelia@uni-goettingen.de)
- 02.05.–15.05.2016: binding registration or cancellation via FlexNow
Attention: In case that there are more potential participants than available places we will distribute the places according to the study regulation of 2012/03/30, §8
- starting from 2.05.2016: publication of the list of participants and the list of topics
- 15.06.2016: submission of seminar papers, no later than 9am. A PDF version is to be sent to Ana Abeliansky (aabelia@uni-goettingen.de)
- 22.06.2016, (Oec 1.164) : final meeting concerning the seminar
- 01.-02.07.2016, (Oec 0.168): blocked seminar

Attendance is compulsory at all these dates.

Grading

Grading will be based upon the following:

- 1) Seminar paper (15 pages, in English)
- 2) Presentation (30 minutes, in English)
- 3) Discussion of another topic (5 minutes, in English)

The seminar paper accounts for 50% of the final grade. Presentation and discussion accounts for the other 50% of the final grade. Students need to pass both of these requirements in order to pass the seminar.

Please notice that due to organizational constraints, the submission deadline of the seminar paper cannot be extended by any circumstance (e.g. illness).

Required background knowledge

Necessary: BA-courses in Mathematics, Econometrics, Macro- and Microeconomics; Economic Growth course is recommended.

Topics

1. The Effect of Immigration on Wages

Ottaviano, G.I., and Peri, G. (2012). Rethinking the effect of immigration on wages. *Journal of the European Economic Association*, 10(1), 152-197.

2. Immigration and Jobs of Natives

D'Amuri, F., and Peri, G. (2014). Immigration, jobs, and employment protection: Evidence from Europe before and during the great recession. *Journal of the European Economic Association*, 12(2), 432-464.

3. The Labor Market Impact of Immigration in Germany

Glitz, A. (2012). The labor market impact of immigration: A quasi-experiment exploiting immigrant location rules in Germany. *Journal of Labor Economics*, 30(1), 175-213.

4. Immigration to the Land of Redistribution

Boeri, T. (2010). Immigration to the Land of Redistribution. *Economica*, 77(308), 651-687.

5. The Welfare Magnet Hypothesis

Razin, A., and Wahba, J. (2015). Welfare Magnet Hypothesis, Fiscal Burden, and Immigration Skill Selectivity. *Scandinavian Journal of Economics*, 117(2), 369-402.

6. How to Protect Low-income Workers in Industrialized Countries Against the Forces of Globalization

Sinn, H. W. (2005). Migration and social replacement incomes: How to protect low-income workers in the industrialized countries against the forces of globalization and market integration. *International Tax and Public Finance*, 12(4), 375-393.

7. The Fiscal Effects of Immigration to the UK

Dustmann, C., and Frattini, T. (2014). The fiscal effects of immigration to the UK. *Economic Journal*, 124(580), F593-F643.

8. The Fiscal Effects of Immigration to Germany

Bonin, Holger. *Der Beitrag von Auslandern und kajfnftiger Zuwanderung zum deutschen Staatshaushalt*. Bertelsmann Stiftung, 2014. (Attention: German Text!)

9. Migration and Trade

Gould, D. M. (1994). Immigrant links to the home country: empirical implications for US bilateral trade flows. *The Review of Economics and Statistics*, 302-316.

Felbermayr, G. J., and Toubal, F. (2012). Revisiting the trade-migration nexus: Evidence from new OECD data. *World Development*, 40(5), 928-937.

10. Migration and Foreign Direct Investment

Buch, C. M., Kleinert, J., and Toubal, F. (2006). Where enterprises lead, people follow? Links between migration and FDI in Germany. *European Economic Review*, 50(8), 2017-2036.

Javorcik, B. S., Uzden, G., Spatareanu, M., & Neagu, C. (2011). Migrant networks and foreign direct investment. *Journal of Development Economics*, 94(2), 231-241.

11. Immigration and Crime

Bell, B., Fasani, F., and Machin, S. (2013). Crime and immigration: Evidence from large immigrant waves. *Review of Economics and statistics*, 21(3), 1278-1290.

Nunziata, L. (2015). Immigration and crime: Evidence from victimization data. *Journal of Population Economics*, 28(3), 697-736.

12. Immigration and Voting for the Extreme Right

Halla, M., Wagner, A. F., and Zweimüller, J. (2014). Immigration and Voting for the Extreme Right.

13. Muslims in France: Identifying a Discriminatory Equilibrium

Adida, C.L., Laitin, D.D., and Valfort, M.A. (2014). Muslims in France: identifying a discriminatory equilibrium. *Journal of Population Economics*, 27(4), 1039-1086.

14. The Refugee/Asylum Seeker

Cortes, K. and Chin, A. (2014) The Refugee/Asylum Seeker, *Handbook of the Economics of International Immigration*, Volume 1, 585-658.

15. Are Refugees Different from Economic Immigrants?

Cortes, K.E. (2004). Are refugees different from economic immigrants? Some empirical evidence on the heterogeneity of immigrant groups in the United States. *Review of Economics and Statistics*, 86(2), 465-480.

16. Asylum Seeking in the EU

Facchini, G., Lorz, O., and Willmann, G. (2006). Asylum seekers in Europe: The warm glow of a hot potato. *Journal of Population Economics*, 19(2), 411-430.

Hatton, T. J. (2015). Asylum Policy in the EU: the case for deeper integration. *CESifo Economic Studies*, 1-33.

The seminar paper

In your seminar paper you should present the idea and the central mechanisms of the underlying journal article in your own words. The objective of the seminar paper is that a reader unfamiliar with the original journal article is thoroughly familiarized with the topic. The seminar paper must not be longer than 15 pages (including everything, in particular, appendices and the list of references). Please use the following layout:

type size 12, spacing 2.0, indentation 2.5 cm

The seminar paper and the presentation are an optimal opportunity to familiarize yourselves with the open-source typesetting software Latex that is used nowadays in science. If you choose to prepare the paper in Word please use the typeface “Times New Roman”.

Advices for preparing a seminar paper:

- use as few footnotes as possible.
- attach a bibliography to your paper.
- do not include lists of figures, tables or abbreviations. They are not necessary in such a short seminar paper.
- properly cite all sources that you refer to.
- for references in the text follow the practice of international journals. Example: If you want to refer to an article written by Hazan in 2009 cite it in the text as [...] (Hazan, 2009). Please do not use footnotes for citation.

Students who copy-paste from any source will automatically be expelled from the course. They are graded with 5.0 and are furthermore reported to the registrar’s office (“Prüfungsamt”). Note that also one-for-one translations from another language account as plagiarism. Be aware: We are extremely ambitious to uncover any attempt of fraud and also use specialized software to detect plagiarism.

The presentation

Every participant of the seminar acts as a presenter of his own topic (30 minutes) as well as a “first participant in discussion” (around 5 minutes) of another topic of the seminar. The technical equipment for the presentation (laptop, beamer, laser-pointer) will be provided by the institute. **The slides have to be sent to Ana Abeliasky (aabelia@uni-goettingen.de) as a PDF file (no ppt files!) until the day before the seminar.**

If you are uncertain about the composition of your presentation the following advices might be helpful.

- The first 3 minutes of a presentation are crucial because you have the full attention of the audience. Use them to deliver the main point/the takeaway of your talk
- The available speaking time of 30 minutes is not sufficient to say everything that could be said about the topic.
- Practice the presentation several times beforehand to get a feeling for the time constraints etc.

You should pay attention to the following advices when preparing your slides:

- No more than 1 slide per minute
- Every slide should be equipped with a title
- The title should be self-explanatory
- No footnotes, detailed bibliographic information, long formulas, big tables or long sentences
- A slide with too little text is preferable to a slide with too much text, optimal are 20 - 40 words per slide
- A figure or a formula is worth a 1000 words
- Do not use fancy layouts (or other fancy Powerpoint options)

Application Seminar Migrants and refugees, Spring 2016

Please hand in the Application form at room oec 2.201 or via email (aabelia@uni-goettingen.de) before 01.05.2016.

Name: _____

Enrollment Number: _____

Subject: _____

Semester: _____

E-Mail: _____

Credits passed: _____

Grade in Bachelor Studies: _____

Have you passed any seminar before? (Yes/no) _____

If yes, which ones? Please write the grade _____

Preferred Topics: 1.: _____

2.: _____

3.: _____

I would like to apply for a place in the seminar "Migrants and refugees", Spring 2016.

(Signature)