



# Lecture plan ECON4640

Week	Date	Topic	Readings	Seminar
3	22-Jan	<i>Cancelled</i>		
4	29-Jan	Introduction	PT 1,2	
5	5-Feb	Median voter models	PT 2,3.1-3.3 <i><a href="#">Gans and Smart (1996)</a></i>	
6	12-Feb	Redistributive politics	PT 6, Lind (2005) <i><a href="#">Bénabou and Ok (2001)</a></i> a	1: <a href="#">Problem set 1</a>
7	19-Feb	Probabilistic voting	PT 3.4	
8	26-Feb	<i>Lecture free week</i>		
9	5-Mar	Lobbying and special interests	PT 3.5, 7, Grossman and Helpman (1994)	2
10	12-Mar	Citizen candidate models	PT 5.1-5.3	
11	19-Mar	Politician behaviour	Duflo and Chattopadhyay (2004), Pettersson-Lidbom (2008)	
12	26-Mar	Voter behaviour	Lind (2009), Matsusaka and Palda (1999), Hibbs(2006)	3
13	2-Apr	<i>Easter</i>		
14	9-Apr	Heterogeneous societies	Alesina and La Ferrara (2004)	4
15	16-Apr	Controlling politicians	PT4	
16	23-Apr	Institutions	Acemoglu and Robinson 2001; Banerjee and Iyer 2005	5
17	30-Apr	Comparative politics	PT 8, Persson and Tabellini (2004)	
18	7-May	Dynamics	PT 11,13, Hassler et al. 2007	6

PT refers to chapters in Persson and Tabellini: *Political economics*  
Links to supplementary readings in *italics*