SGO2200 midterm evaluation fall 2025

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About the course

This course provides students with an introduction to economic geography, with particular emphasis on the two main research areas that are i) economic globalization and ii) regional development. Specifically, it deals with what the main processes are that condition the location and distribution of economic activity, and how different places, and people, are affected.

The evaluation

There were 51 students registered (in Canvas) for the course in 2025. From these, we received 5 responses to a web-based questionnaire asking students to describe three positive and three negative aspects of the course. This equals a response rate of 9.8 per cent.

Results

The new textbook is regarded as positive, and the lectures are described as informative with relevant real-world examples which makes the course more intriguing. Interactions with the class and use of humour are also noted as positive. The seminar series received particularly positive evaluations from the respondents. The only negative notes on the course as a whole concern too many slides on some of the lectures and ambiguity regarding what is expected from the students at the exam (although relative stability of exam question style over the years is also noted as positive).

Conclusion

Although the low number of responses means that caution is warranted with respect to drawing conclusions, the results do suggest that the revision of the course conducted for this semester has worked according to intentions with no major flaws/shortcomings.