PSC 551: State Building and Conflict

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Readings

Reading for the week must be completed by all students before class. I will get in touch with you outside of class if we have concerns about your preparation for class or participation.

Assignments

The format of assignments will be discussed on the first day of class

Reviews: 5x Presentations: 2x Research Proposal: 1x

Academic honesty

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In this course the following additional requirements are in effect: You are encouraged to discuss course readings and assignments with your fellow students. However, all written work must be done independently and not in collaboration with another. All written work must properly format quotations, use citations, and include a bibliography where necessary. Cases of plagiarism will be referred to the Academic Honesty Board.

Class schedule

Jan 24: Cooperation in Anarchy: Punishment

Reading for the week:

Robert Axelrod, Chapters 1, 2, 4, 7 in The Evolution of Cooperation. New York: Basic Books, Inc., 1984

Fearon, James D., and David D. Laitin. "Explaining interethnic cooperation." American political science review 90.4 (1996): 715-735.

Nisbett, Richard E., and Dov Cohen. Culture of honor: The psychology of violence in the South. Routledge, 2018.

Cao, Yiming, et al. Herding, Warfare, and a Culture of Honor: Global Evidence. No. w29250. National Bureau of Economic Research, 2021.

Further reading:

Fudenberg, Drew, and Eric Maskin. "The Folk Theorem in Repeated Games with Discounting or with Incomplete Information." Econometrica 54.3 (1986): 533-554.

Fehr, Ernst, and Simon Gächter. "Cooperation and punishment in public goods experiments." American Economic Review 90.4 (2000): 980-994.

Ostrom, Elinor, James Walker, and Roy Gardner. "Covenants with and without a sword: Self-governance is possible." American political science Review 86.2 (1992): 404-417.

Boyd, Robert, and Peter J. Richerson. "Punishment allows the evolution of cooperation (or anything else) in sizable groups." Ethology and sociobiology 13.3 (1992): 171-195.

Stone, Randall W., Branislav L. Slantchev, and Tamar R. London. "Choosing how to cooperate: A repeated public-goods model of international relations." International Studies Quarterly 52.2 (2008): 335-362.

Piccione, Michele, and Ariel Rubinstein. 2007. "Equilibrium in the Jungle." *The Economic Journal*, 117(522).

Gould, Roger V. 1999. "Collective Violence and Group Solidarity: Evidence from a Feuding Society." *American Sociological Review*, 64(3).

Jan 31: Cooperation in Anarchy: Trust

Reading for the week:

Coleman, James S. Foundations of social theory. Harvard university press, 1994. Chapters 5, 8, & 12

Guiso, Luigi, Paola Sapienza, and Luigi Zingales. "Social capital as good culture." Journal of the European economic Association 6.2-3 (2008): 295-320.

Nunn, Nathan, and Leonard Wantchekon. "The slave trade and the origins of mistrust in Africa." American Economic Review 101.7 (2011): 3221-52.

Sapienza, Paola, Anna Toldra-Simats, and Luigi Zingales. "Understanding trust." The Economic Journal 123.573 (2013): 1313-1332.

Thöni, Christian, Jean-Robert Tyran, and Erik Wengström. "Microfoundations of social capital." Journal of Public Economics 96.7-8 (2012): 635-643.

Further reading:

Banfield, E. C. (1967). The Moral Basis of a Backward Society. United Kingdom: The Free Press.

Putnam, Robert D., Robert Leonardi, and Raffaella Y. Nanetti. Making democracy work. Princeton university press, 1994.

Boix, Carles, and Daniel N. Posner. "Social capital: Explaining its origins and effects on government performance." British journal of political science 28.4 (1998): 686-693.

Alesina, Alberto, and Eliana La Ferrara. "Who trusts others?." Journal of public economics 85.2 (2002): 207-234.

Tabellini, Guido. "The scope of cooperation: Values and incentives." The Quarterly Journal of Economics 123.3 (2008): 905-950.

Guiso, Luigi, Paola Sapienza, and Luigi Zingales. "Long-term persistence." Journal of the European Economic Association 14.6 (2016): 1401-1436.

Algan, Yann, and Pierre Cahuc. "Inherited trust and growth." American Economic Review 100.5 (2010): 2060-92.

Jamal, Amaney. 2007.Barrier to Democracy: The Other Side of Social Capital in Palestine and the Arab World.Princeton,NJ:Princeton University Press

Kydd, Andrew H. Trust and mistrust in international relations. Princeton University Press, 2018.

Feb 7: Primary States

Reading for the week:

Johnson, Allen W., and Timothy K. Earle. The evolution of human societies: from foraging group to agrarian state. Stanford University Press, 2000.

Konrad, Kai A., and Stergios Skaperdas. "The Market for Protection and the Origin of the State." Economic Theory 50.2 (2012): 417-443.

Sanchez de la Sierra, Raul. "On the origins of the state: Stationary bandits and taxation in eastern congo." Journal of Political Economy 128.1 (2020): 000-000.

Further reading:

Boix, Carles. 2015. Political Order and Inequality: Their Foundations and their Consequences for Human Welfare. Cambridge University Press.

Boix, Carles, and Frances Rosenbluth. "Bones of contention: the political economy of height inequality." American Political Science Review 108.1 (2014): 1-22.

Borcan, Oana, Ola Olsson, and Louis Putterman. "Transition to agriculture and first state presence: A global analysis." Explorations in Economic History (2021): 101404.

Olson, Mancur. "Dictatorship, democracy, and development." American political science review 87.3 (1993): 567-576.

Scott, James C. 2017. Against the Grain: A Deep History of the Earliest States. Yale University Press.

Grossman, Herschel I. 2002. "Make us a king: anarchy, predation, and the state." *European Journal of Political Economy* 18(1).

North, Douglass C. 1981. Structure and Change in Economic History. W.W. Norton.

Allen, Robert. 1997. "Agriculture and the Origins of the State in Ancient Egypt." *Explorations in Economic History*, 34(2).

Gambetta, Diego. The Sicilian Mafia: The Business of Private Protection. United Kingdom, Harvard University Press, 1996.

Bandiera, Oriana. 2003. "Land reform, the market for protection, and the origins of the Sicilian mafia: theory and evidence." *Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization*, 19(1).

Dimico, Arcangelo, Alessia Isopi, and Ola Olsson. "Origins of the Sicilian Mafia: The market for lemons." The Journal of Economic History 77.4 (2017): 1083-1115.

Kurrild-Klitgaard, Peter, and Gert Tinggaard Svendsen. 2003. "Rational bandits: Plunder, public goods, and the Vikings." *Public Choice*, 117(3–4).

Skarbek, David. The Social Order of the Underworld: How Prison Gangs Govern the American Penal System. United Kingdom, Oxford University Press, 2014.

Feb 14: The Number and Size of States

Reading for the week:

Alesina, Alberto, and Enrico Spolaore. The size of nations. Mit Press, 2005.

Hierro, Maria Jose, and Didac Queralt. "The divide over independence: explaining preferences for secession in an advanced open economy." American Journal of Political Science 65.2 (2021): 422-442.

Turchin, P. (2018). Historical Dynamics: Why States Rise and Fall. United States: Princeton University Press.

Alesina, Alberto, William Easterly, and Janina Matuzeski. 2011. "Artificial States." *Journal of the European Economic Association*, 9(2).

Further reading:

Friedman, David. "A Theory of the Size and Shape of Nations." Journal of political economy 85.1 (1977): 59-77.

Bolton, Patrick, and Gerard Roland. "The breakup of nations: a political economy analysis." The Quarterly Journal of Economics 112.4 (1997): 1057-1090.

Olofsgård, Anders. "Incentives for secession in the presence of mobile ethnic groups." Journal of Public Economics 87.9-10 (2003): 2105-2128.

Acharya, Avidit and Alexander Lee. 2018. "Economic Foundations of the Territorial State System." *American Journal of Political Science*, 62(4).

Fazal, Tanisha. 2004. "State Death in the International System." *International Organization*, 58(2).

Staal, Klaas. 2010. "Incentives for Separation and Incentives for Public Good Provision." *Public Choice*, 145(3–4).

Spolaore, Enrico, and Romain Wacziarg. "Borders and growth." Journal of Economic Growth 10.4 (2005): 331-386.

Feb 21: State Capacity: Making Effective States

Reading for the week:

Tilly, Charles. 1992. *Coercion, Capital and European States, AD 990–1992.* Blackwell. Chapters 1–4, 7.

Gennaioli, Nicola and Joachim Voth. 2013. "State Capacity and Military Conflict." *Review* of Economic Studies, 82(4).

Mark Dincecco, James Fenske & Massimiliano Gaetano Onorato (2019) Is Africa Different? Historical Conflict and State Development, Economic History of Developing Regions, 34:2, 209-250,

Dal Bó, Ernesto, Frederico Finan, and Martín A. Rossi. 2013. "Strengthening State Capabilities: The Role of Financial Incentives in the Call to Public Service." *Quarterly Journal of Economics* 128(3).

Queralt, Didac. "War, international finance, and fiscal capacity in the long run." International Organization 73.4 (2019): 713-753.

Further reading:

Suryanarayan, Pavithra, and Steven White. "Slavery, reconstruction, and bureaucratic capacity in the American south." American Political Science Review 115.2 (2021): 568-584.

Beramendi, Pablo, Mark Dincecco, and Melissa Rogers. "Intra-elite competition and long-run fiscal development." The Journal of Politics 81.1 (2019): 49-65.

Brewer, John. 2002. *The Sinews of Power: War, Money and the English State, 1688–1783.* Routledge.

Strayer, Joseph R. On the medieval origins of the modern state. Princeton University Press, 2011.

Herbst, Jeffrey. 2000. States and Power in Africa. Princeton University Press.

Acemoglu, D., Ticchi, D. and Vindigni, A. (2011) Emergence and persistence of inefficient states. Journal of the European Economic Association 9(2): 177–208

Thomson, Janice E. 1994. *Mercenaries, Pirates, and Sovereigns: State-Building and Extraterritorial Violence in Early Modern Europe*. Princeton University Press.

Slater, Dan. 2010. Ordering Power: Contentious Politics and Authoritarian Leviathans in Southeast Asia. Cambridge University Press.

Acemoglu, Daron, James Robinson, and Rafael Santos. 2013. "The Monopoly of Violence: Evidence From Colombia." *Journal of the European Economic Association*, 11(1).

Barkey, Karen. 1996. *Bandits and Bureaucrats*. Cornell University Press. Bates, Robert, Avner Greif, and Smita Singh. 2002. "Organizing violence." *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, 46(5). 5 (2002): 599–628.

Centeno, Miguel Angel. 2003. *Blood and Debt: War and the Nation-State in Latin America*. Penn State Press.

Thies, Cameron G. 2004. "State Building, Interstate and Intrastate Rivalry: A Study of Post-Colonial Developing Country Extractive Efforts, 1975–2000." *International Studies Quarterly*, 48(1).

Hui, Victoria Tin-bor. 2005. *War and state formation in ancient China and early modern Europe*. Cambridge University Press

Spryut, Hendrick. 1994. *The Sovereign State and Its Competitors: An Analysis of Systems Change*. Princeton University

Johnson, Noel D., and Mark Koyama. "Tax farming and the origins of state capacity in England and France." Explorations in Economic History 51 (2014): 1-20.

Feb 28: No Class, Talk at NYU-AD

Mar 7: No Class, Spring Break

Mar 14: State Capacity (Measurement & Effects)

Reading for the week:

Lee, Melissa M., and Nan Zhang. 2017. "Legibility and the informational foundations of state capacity." *The Journal of Politics*, 79(1). 1 (2017): 118–132.

Hanson, Jonathan K., and Rachel Sigman. "Leviathan's latent dimensions: Measuring state capacity for comparative political research." The Journal of Politics 83.4 (2021): 1495-1510.

Dincecco, Mark, and Mauricio Prado. "Warfare, fiscal capacity, and performance." Journal of Economic Growth 17.3 (2012): 171-203.

Voigtländer, Nico, and Hans-Joachim Voth. "Gifts of Mars: warfare and Europe's early rise to riches." Journal of Economic Perspectives 27.4 (2013): 165-86.

Dell, Melissa, Nathan Lane, and Pablo Querubin. "The historical state, local collective action, and economic development in Vietnam." Econometrica 86.6 (2018): 2083-2121.

Further reading:

Borcan, Oana, Ola Olsson, and Louis Putterman. "State history and economic development: evidence from six millennia." Journal of Economic Growth 23.1 (2018): 1-40.

Dincecco, Mark, and Gabriel Katz. "State capacity and long-run economic performance." The Economic Journal 126.590 (2016): 189-218.

Hendrix, Cullen S. "Measuring state capacity: Theoretical and empirical implications for the study of civil conflict." Journal of peace research 47.3 (2010): 273-285.

Evans, Peter B. Embedded autonomy. Princeton University Press, 2012.

Johnson, N. D., & Koyama, M. (2017). States and economic growth: Capacity and constraints. Explorations in Economic History, 64, 1–20.

Acemoglu, Daron, Jacob Moscona, and James A. Robinson. "State capacity and American technology: evidence from the nineteenth century." American Economic Review 106.5 (2016): 61-67.

Mar 21: Parliamentary Constraints

Reading for the week:

North, Douglass C., and Barry R. Weingast. "Constitutions and commitment: the evolution of institutions governing public choice in seventeenth-century England." The journal of economic history 49.4 (1989): 803-832.

Boix, Carles, and Milan W. Svolik. "The foundations of limited authoritarian government: Institutions, commitment, and power-sharing in dictatorships." The Journal of Politics 75.2 (2013): 300-316.

Stasavage, D. (2003). Public Debt and the Birth of the Democratic State: France and Great Britain 1688–1789. United States: Cambridge University Press.

Cox, Gary W. "Marketing sovereign promises: the English model." The Journal of Economic History 75.1 (2015): 190-218.

Cox, Gary W., and Mark Dincecco. "The Budgetary Origins of Fiscal-Military Prowess." The Journal of Politics 83.3 (2021):

Further reading:

Meng, Anne. Constraining dictatorship: From personalized rule to institutionalized regimes. Cambridge University Press, 2020.

Johnson, N. D., Koyama, M. (2019). Persecution and Toleration: The Long Road to Religious Freedom. India: Cambridge University Press.

Ahmed, Ali T., and David Stasavage. "Origins of early democracy." American Political Science Review 114.2 (2020): 502-518.

Stasavage, David. States of Credit: Size, Power, and the Development of European Polities, Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2011.

Ertman, T. (1997). Birth of the Leviathan: Building States and Regimes in Medieval and Early Modern Europe. United Kingdom: Cambridge University Press.

Downing, Brian. The military revolution and political change: Origins of democracy and autocracy in early modern Europe. Princeton University Press, 2020.

Cox, Gary W. Marketing sovereign promises: Monopoly brokerage and the growth of the English state. Cambridge University Press, 2016.

Pincus, Steven. 2009. 1688. New Haven, CT: Yale University Press.

Clark, Gregory. "The political foundations of modern economic growth: England, 1540-1800." The Journal of Interdisciplinary History 26.4 (1996): 563-588.

Van Zanden, Jan Luiten, Eltjo Buringh, and Maarten Bosker. "The rise and decline of European parliaments, 1188–1789 1." The Economic History Review 65.3 (2012): 835-861.

Mar 28: (De)centralization

Reading for the week:

Epstein, Stephan R. 2002. Freedom and Growth: The Rise of States and Markets in Europe, 1300–1750.

Dincecco, Mark. "Fiscal centralization, limited government, and public revenues in Europe, 1650–1913." The Journal of Economic History 69.1 (2009): 48-103.

Rosenthal, J. (1992). The Fruits of Revolution: Property Rights, Litigation and French Agriculture, 1700–1860 (Political Economy of Institutions and Decisions). Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Hoffman, Philip T. Why did Europe conquer the world?. Princeton University Press, 2015.

Haber, Stephen, Noel Maurer, and Armando Razo. 2003. *The Politics of Property Rights*. Cambridge University Press.

Seghezz, Elena "Fiscal Capacity and The Risk of Sovereign Debt After the Glorious Revolution: A Reinterpretation of the North Weingast Hypothesis." *European Journal of Political Economy*, forthcoming.

Further reading:

Blaydes, Lisa, and Eric Chaney. "The feudal revolution and Europe's rise: Political divergence of the Christian west and the Muslim world before 1500 CE." American Political Science Review 107.1 (2013): 16-34.

Dincecco, Mark. Political transformations and public finances: Europe, 1650–1913. Cambridge University Press, 2011.

Acemoglu, Daron, et al. "The consequences of radical reform: The French Revolution." American economic review 101.7 (2011): 3286-3307.

Anderson, Perry. Lineages of the Absolutist State (Verso World History Series). Verso Books, 2013.

Weingast, Barry R. "The economic role of political institutions: Market-preserving federalism and economic development." JL Econ. & Org. 11 (1995): 1.

Jones, Eric. The European miracle: environments, economies and geopolitics in the history of Europe and Asia. Cambridge University Press, 2003.

Apr 4: Revolution & Protest

Kuran, Timur. "The East European revolution of 1989: is it surprising that we were surprised?." The American Economic Review 81.2 (1991): 121-125.

Palfrey, Thomas R., and Howard Rosenthal. "Participation and the provision of discrete public goods: a strategic analysis." Journal of public Economics 24.2 (1984): 171-193.

Davide Cantoni, David Y Yang, Noam Yuchtman, Y Jane Zhang, Protests as Strategic Games: Experimental Evidence from Hong Kong's Antiauthoritarian Movement, The Quarterly Journal of Economics, Volume 134, Issue 2, May 2019, Pages 1021–1077

Enikolopov, Ruben, Alexey Makarin, and Maria Petrova. "Social media and protest participation: Evidence from Russia." Econometrica 88.4 (2020): 1479-1514.

Further reading:

Olson, Mancur. The Logic of Collective Action: Public Goods and the Theory of Groups, Second Printing with a New Preface and Appendix. Harvard University Press, 2009.

Grossman, Herschell I. "A general equilibrium model of insurrections." The American Economic Review (1991): 912-921.

Lohmann, Susanne. "The dynamics of informational cascades: The Monday demonstrations in Leipzig, East Germany, 1989–91." World politics 47.1 (1994): 42-101.

De Mesquita, Ethan Bueno. "Regime change and revolutionary entrepreneurs." American Political Science Review 104.3 (2010): 446-466.

Fearon, James D. "Self-enforcing democracy." The Quarterly Journal of Economics 126.4 (2011): 1661-1708.

Edmond, Chris. "Information manipulation, coordination, and regime change." Review of Economic studies 80.4 (2013): 1422-1458.

Gurr, Ted Robert. 1970. Why Men Rebel. Princeton University Press.

Skocpol, Theda. Social revolutions in the modern world. Cambridge University Press, 1994.

Popkin, Samuel L. 1979. The Rational Peasant. University of California Press.

Scott, James C. 2009. The Art of Not Being Governed. Yale University Press.

Koopmans, Ruud. "The dynamics of protest waves: West Germany, 1965 to 1989." American sociological review (1993): 637-658.

Bursztyn, Leonardo, et al. "Persistent political engagement: Social interactions and the dynamics of protest movements." American Economic Review: Insights 3.2 (2021): 233-50.

Little, Andrew T. "Communication technology and protest." The Journal of Politics 78.1 (2016): 152-166.

Manacorda, Marco, and Andrea Tesei. "Liberation technology: Mobile phones and political mobilization in Africa." Econometrica 88.2 (2020): 533-567.

Pierskalla, Jan H., and Florian M. Hollenbach. "Technology and collective action: The effect of cell phone coverage on political violence in Africa." American Political Science Review 107.2 (2013): 207-224.

Christensen, Darin, and Francisco Garfias. "Can you hear me now? How communication technology affects protest and repression." Quarterly journal of political science 13.1 (2018): 89.

Larson, Jennifer M., et al. "Social networks and protest participation: Evidence from 130 million Twitter users." American Journal of Political Science 63.3 (2019): 690-705.

Apr 11: Civil War: Causes *Reading for the week:*

<u>A Review of the Massive Literature</u>: Blattman, Christopher, and Edward Miguel. "Civil war." Journal of Economic literature 48.1 (2010): 3-57.

Dube, Oeindrila, and Juan F. Vargas. "Commodity price shocks and civil conflict: Evidence from Colombia." The review of economic studies 80.4 (2013): 1384-1421.

Bazzi, Samuel, and Christopher Blattman. "Economic shocks and conflict: Evidence from commodity prices." American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics 6.4 (2014): 1-38.

Humphreys, Macartan, and Jeremy M. Weinstein. "Who fights? The determinants of participation in civil war." American Journal of Political Science 52.2 (2008): 436-455.

Arbatlı, Cemal Eren, et al. "Diversity and conflict." Econometrica 88.2 (2020): 727-797.

Carter, David B., Andrew C. Shaver, and Austin L. Wright. "Places to hide: Terrain, ethnicity, and civil conflict." The Journal of Politics 81.4 (2019): 1446-1465.

Further reading:

Collier, Paul, and Anke Hoeffler. "Greed and grievance in civil war." Oxford economic papers 56.4 (2004): 563-595.

Fearon, James D., and David D. Laitin. "Ethnicity, insurgency, and civil war." American political science review 97.1 (2003): 75-90.

Miguel, Edward, Shanker Satyanath, and Ernest Sergenti. "Economic shocks and civil conflict: An instrumental variables approach." Journal of political Economy 112.4 (2004): 725-753.

Hall, A., Huff, C., & Kuriwaki, S. (2019). Wealth, Slave ownership, and Fighting for the Confederacy: An Empirical Study of the American Civil War. American Political Science Review, 113(3), 658-673.

Weinstein, Jeremy M. Inside rebellion: The politics of insurgent violence. Cambridge University Press, 2006.

Montalvo, José G., and Marta Reynal-Querol. "Ethnic polarization, potential conflict, and civil wars." American economic review 95.3 (2005): 796-816.

Kalyvas, S., & Balcells, L. (2010). International System and Technologies of Rebellion: How the End of the Cold War Shaped Internal Conflict. American Political Science Review, 104(3), 415-429. doi:10.1017/S0003055410000286

Wood, Elisabeth Jean, and Wood Elisabeth Jean. Insurgent collective action and civil war in El Salvador. Cambridge University Press, 2003.

Cederman, Lars-Erik, Nils B. Weidmann, and Kristian Skrede Gleditsch. "Horizontal inequalities and ethnonationalist civil war: A global comparison." American Political Science Review 105.3 (2011): 478-495.

Fearon, James D. "Why do some civil wars last so much longer than others?." Journal of peace research 41.3 (2004): 275-301.

Apr 18: The Logic of Violence in Civil Wars Kalyvas, Stathis N. The logic of violence in civil war. Cambridge University Press, 2006.

Balcells, L. (2017). Rivalry and Revenge: The Politics of Violence During Civil War. United Kingdom: Cambridge University Press. **Selections TBD**

Kopstein, Jeffrey S. and Wittenberg, Jason. Intimate Violence: Anti-Jewish Pogroms on the Eve of the Holocaust, Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press, 2018 Selections TBD

Further reading:

Esteban, Joan, Massimo Morelli, and Dominic Rohner. "Strategic mass killings." Journal of Political Economy 123.5 (2015): 1087-1132.

Horowitz, Donald L. Ethnic groups in conflict, updated edition with a new preface. Univ of California Press, 2000.

Valentino, Benjamin A. Final solutions. Cornell University Press, 2013.

Downes, Alexander B. Targeting civilians in war. Cornell University Press, 2011.

Lyall, Jason. "Does indiscriminate violence incite insurgent attacks? Evidence from Chechnya." Journal of Conflict Resolution 53.3 (2009): 331-362.

Lyall, Jason. "Civilian casualties, humanitarian aid, and insurgent violence in civil wars." International Organization 73.4 (2019): 901-926.

Wood, Elisabeth Jean. "The social processes of civil war: The wartime transformation of social networks." Annu. Rev. Polit. Sci. 11 (2008): 539-561.

Tilly, Charles. The politics of collective violence. Cambridge University Press, 2003.

Apr 25: Ethnicity

Reading for the week:

Habyarimana, James, et al. "Why does ethnic diversity undermine public goods provision?." American Political Science Review 101.4 (2007): 709-725.

Wimmer, Andreas. "The making and unmaking of ethnic boundaries: A multilevel process theory." American journal of sociology 113.4 (2008): 970-1022.

Alberto Alesina, Reza Baqir, William Easterly, Public Goods and Ethnic Divisions, The Quarterly Journal of Economics, Volume 114, Issue 4, November 1999

Dahlberg, Matz, Karin Edmark, and Heléne Lundqvist. "Ethnic diversity and preferences for redistribution." Journal of Political Economy 120.1 (2012): 41-76.

Pardelli, Giuliana, and Alexander Kustov. "When Co-ethnicity Fails." World Politics, Forthcoming

Further reading:

Fearon, James D., and David D. Laitin. "Violence and the social construction of ethnic identity." International organization 54.4 (2000): 845-877.

Habyarimana, James, et al. Coethnicity: diversity and the dilemmas of collective action. Russell Sage Foundation, 2009.

Miguel, Edward. "Tribe or nation? Nation building and public goods in Kenya versus Tanzania." World politics 56.3 (2004): 327-362.

Montalvo, José G., and Marta Reynal-Querol. "Ethnic polarization, potential conflict, and civil wars." American economic review 95.3 (2005): 796-816.

Fearon, James D. "Ethnic and cultural diversity by country." Journal of economic growth 8.2 (2003): 195-222.

Montalvo, Jose G., and Marta Reynal-Querol. "Ethnic diversity and economic development." Journal of Development economics 76.2 (2005): 293-323.

Miguel, Edward, and Mary Kay Gugerty. "Ethnic diversity, social sanctions, and public goods in Kenya." Journal of public Economics 89.11-12 (2005): 2325-2368.

Baldwin, Kate, and John D. Huber. "Economic versus cultural differences: Forms of ethnic diversity and public goods provision." American Political Science Review 104.4 (2010): 644-662.

Alesina, Alberto, and Eliana La Ferrara. "Ethnic diversity and economic performance." Journal of economic literature 43.3 (2005): 762-800.

Luttmer, Erzo FP. "Group loyalty and the taste for redistribution." Journal of political Economy 109.3 (2001): 500-528.

Chandra, Kanchan. Why ethnic parties succeed: Patronage and ethnic head counts in India. Cambridge University Press, 2007.

Posner, Daniel N. Institutions and ethnic politics in Africa. Cambridge University Press, 2005.

May 2: Nationalism

Reading for the week:

Carles' New Book Project

Alesina, A., P. Giuliano, and B. Reich (2021). Nation-building and education. The Economic Journal Forthcoming.

Dehdari, Sirus H., and Kai Gehring. 2022. "The Origins of Common Identity: Evidence from Alsace-Lorraine." American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, 14 (1): 261-92.

Kersting, Felix, and Nikolaus Wolf. "On the origins of national identity. German nationbuilding after Napoleon." *Working Paper* (2021).

Vasiliki Fouka, Backlash: The Unintended Effects of Language Prohibition in U.S. Schools after World War I, The Review of Economic Studies, Volume 87, Issue 1, January 2020

Clots-Figueras, Irma, and Paolo Masella. "Education, language and identity." The Economic Journal 123.570 (2013): F332-F357.

Further reading:

Gellner, Ernest. Nations and nationalism. Cornell University Press, 2008.

Weber, Eugen. Peasants into Frenchmen: the modernization of rural France, 1870-1914. Stanford University Press, 1976.

Anderson, Benedict. Imagined communities: Reflections on the origin and spread of nationalism. Verso books, 2006.

Brubaker, R., Brubaker, (1996). Nationalism Reframed: Nationhood and the National Question in the New Europe. United Kingdom: Cambridge University Press.

Beissinger, Mark R. Nationalist mobilization and the collapse of the Soviet State. Cambridge University Press, 2002.

Klor, Esteban F., and Moses Shayo. "Social identity and preferences over redistribution." Journal of Public Economics 94.3-4 (2010): 269-278.

Zhang, Nan, and Melissa M. Lee. "Literacy and State–Society Interactions in Nineteenth-Century France." American Journal of Political Science 64.4 (2020): 1001-1016.

Shayo, Moses. "A model of social identity with an application to political economy: Nation, class, and redistribution." American Political science review 103.2 (2009): 147-174.

Bazzi, Samuel, Arya Gaduh, Alexander D. Rothenberg, and Maisy Wong. 2019. "Unity in Diversity? How Intergroup Contact Can Foster Nation Building." American Economic Review, 109 (11): 3978-4025.

Sambanis, N., S. Skaperdas, and W. C. Wohlforth (2015). Nation-building through war. American Political Science Review 109 (2), 279–296.

Depetris-Chauvin, E., R. Durante, and F. R. Campante (2020). Building nations through shared experiences: Evidnce from African Football. American Economic Review 110 (5), 1572–1602.