

# **The Economics of Migration**

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Migration is one of the key issues in the political and public debate in Europe. It is at the same time one of the most extensively investigated subjects in social sciences. Nevertheless, it is a subject which is very difficult to access, partly due to the complexity of the issues involved.

This lecture series is an introduction to the economic aspects of migration aimed at economics students. It will discuss some of the most important contributions to migration research in economics, and point out links between the different areas of analysis. It will discuss empirical evidence within clearly structured economic models. At every stage, analysis will be linked to the current debate on migration.

Students should have a good understanding of microeconomics and microeconometrics. There is no textbook, and much of the material will be based on papers.

## **Structure of the Course:**

- Lecture 1,2: Introduction; The Migration Decision and Immigrant Performance
- Lectures 3,4: Who Migrates? The Roy Model and the Selection of Immigrants
- Lectures 5,6: The Children of Immigrants
- Lecture 7,8: The Impact of Immigration: Theory and Empirical Approaches I
- Lecture 9,10: The Impact of Immigration: Theory and Empirical Approaches II

## **Literature:**

Much of the material in Lectures 2-6 will be based on the chapter “Migration and Education”, Glitz and Dustmann, Handbook of Educational Economics (2011), Hanushek, Machin and Woessmann (ed). A reading list will be distributed at the start of the course.