

Learning Effective Approaches in Development 2026

Reading List

Lecture 1: Understanding Development in a Changing World (Dan Banik)

- Bull, B. & Banik, D. (2025) “The Rebirth of the Global South: Geopolitics, Imageries and Developmental Realities,” *Forum for Development Studies*, 52(2), 195–214.
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Lecture 2: Rethinking Success in Development (Dan Banik)

- Banik, D. (2018) How Can We Better Understand “Success” in International Development?, *Global Policy*, March 2018, <https://www.globalpolicyjournal.com/blog/19/03/2018/how-can-we-better-understand-success-international-development>
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- Banik, D., & Bull, B. (2018). Chinese engagement in Africa and Latin America: does it matter for state capacity? *Third World Thematics: A TWQ Journal*, 3(4), 532–551. <https://doi.org/10.1080/23802014.2018.1531682>
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- Podcast: In Pursuit of Development with Dan Banik, “Is economic growth the magic wand for ending poverty? – Charles Kenny”, <https://in-pursuit-of-development.simplecast.com/episodes/kenny>

Lecture 3: The Chinese Development Model and Agricultural Technology Transfer in Africa (Xiuli Xu)

- Science, Technology, and the Politics of Knowledge: The Case of China’s Agricultural Technology Demonstration Centers in Africa (2026), [10.1007/978-981-95-0756-6_11](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-95-0756-6_11), In *Global Governance and Sustainable Development*.
- History of China’s Agricultural Aid to Africa: Why and How (2022), [10.1007/978-981-16-9396-0_1](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-16-9396-0_1), In *Chinese Agricultural Technology Aid in Africa*

Lecture 4: Voices and Models: Strengthening Democracy and Development with Generative AI (Dan Banik)

- Hassan, Y. (2023). Governing algorithms from the South: A case study of AI development in Africa. *AI & Society*, 38, 1429–1442. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s00146-022-01527-7>
- Okolo, C. T. (2023). AI in the Global South: Opportunities and challenges towards more inclusive governance. *International Journal of Innovative Research in Arts, Education and Technology*, 2(1). 10.48028/iiprds/ijiraet.v2.i1.09
- Vinuesa, R., Azizpour, H., Leite, I., et al. (2020). The role of artificial intelligence in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals. *Nature Communications*, 11, 233. <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41467-019-14108-y>

Lecture 5: Co-developing Health Promotion with People Living in Prison (Lara Tavoschi)

- Laryea-Adekimi F, et al. (2024). RISE-Vac-Co-production of Vaccine Education Materials with Persons Living in Prison. *Emerging infectious diseases*, 30(13), S56–S61. <https://doi.org/10.3201/eid3013.230812>
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Lecture 6: African Initiatives to Integrate Climate and Health into Free-Trade Agreements (Sarah Cassella)

Lecture 7: Promoting Ideal Cardiovascular Health in Low-Income Countries (Jean-Philippe Empana)

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- Samieri C, et al. (2018). Association of Cardiovascular Health Level in Older Age With Cognitive Decline and Incident Dementia. *JAMA*, 320(7), 657–664. <https://doi.org/10.1001/jama.2018.11499>

Lecture 8: Participatory Democracy and Development: The Tuscany Case Study (Angioletta Sperti)

- Corsi. . (2012). A First Important Experience in Participatory Democracy in Italy: Region of Tuscany Law No. 69 of 27 December 2007. *Perspectives on Federalism* 4(1). E-192-E-207. http://webarchive-2009-2021.on-federalism.eu/attachments/126_download.pdf
- Lewanski, Rodolfo (2013) Institutionalizing Deliberative Democracy: the ‘Tuscany laboratory’, *Journal of Public Deliberation*: 9(1), Article 10. Available at: <http://www.publicdeliberation.net/jpd/vol9/iss1/art10>

Lecture 9: Climate Change and Development (Marcel Robischon)

Lecture 10: Who Makes Development Work? Local Firms, Cooperation, and Inclusive Growth (Sonja Avlijaš, University of Belgrade)

- Avlijaš, S., Medić, P., & Udovički, K. (2023). Reconfiguring FDI dependency: SMEs as emerging stakeholders in an advanced peripheral export-led growth model. *Competition & Change*, 29(3–4), 10245294231209277. <https://doi.org/10.1177/10245294231209277>
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- Avlijaš, S., & Gartzou-Katsouyanni, K. (2024). Firm-Centered Approaches to Overcoming Semi-Peripheral Constraints. *Studies in Comparative International Development*, 59(4), 611–635. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s12116-024-09434-2>

Lecture 11: Learning from Failure and Moving Forward (Dan Banik)

- Appadurai, A. (2007), Hope and Democracy, *Public Culture* (2007) 19 (1): 29–34, <https://doi.org/10.1215/08992363-2006-023>
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Optional: Podcast – [*In Pursuit of Development*](#), students may find this helpful in preparation for class discussions.