# Economic Growth for Advanced Students

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### **1** General Information

This course covers advanced topics on economic growth. After a quick review of neoclassical growth theory and endogenous growth theory, we will cover a few modern topics: firm dynamics, inequality and factor shares and environmental sustainability.

### 2 Lecture Schedule

Date	Topic
14.10.2019	A quick review of Neoclassical Growth
14.10.2019	Endogenous growth
15.10.2019	Schumpeterian Growth
15.10.2019	Firm Dynamics
16.10.2019	Capital and labor
16.10.2019	Directed technical change and inequality
17.10.2019	Modeling automation
17.10.2019	Measuring automation
18.10.2019	Environment and Growth
18.10.2019	Environment and Innovation

## **3** Presentation and Lecture Material

The following textbooks are references in Economic Growth and will be useful for the class.

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