

## GG21B: GEOGRAPHY & DEVELOPMENT

### Student Reading Guide

#### Lectures 1-4

- The first four chapters in Potter et al. *Geographies of Development* are essential reading for the first section of the course Each chapter has been photocopied and is available in the departmental office for overnight loan.
- Chapter 12 on development, in Stutz and de Souza's book, is still quite useful though a bit dated.
- Centre-periphery concepts and colonialism are dealt with briefly in various places in Knox and Marston.
- Potter et al. *Contemporary Caribbean* has sections of urbanization and development models (chapter 7) and industrialization and development policies in the Caribbean (chapter 8).
- Other useful articles in the box file: Potter, R.B. (1995) 'Urbanisation and development in the Caribbean', *Geography*, 80(4), pp334-341. Rojas, E. (1989) 'Human settlements of the Eastern Caribbean: development problems and policy options', *Cities*, 6, pp243-258.

#### Lectures 5-8

- The main sources to consult for this section are Chapters 6 and 10 in Knox, Agnew and McCarthy and these are in the box file for overnight loan. These chapters are long, detailed and challenging. You should concentrate on the sections relevant to material covered in lectures.
- Peter Dicken's *Global Shift* (2003) is also an authoritative geographical text on the same theme. Challenging but packed full of interesting insights and examples.
- Potter et al, *Contemporary Caribbean* has key chapters on globalization and offshore services in the Caribbean.
- Useful articles in *Caribbean Geography* (that can be purchased from the bookshop) include:

Klak, T. (1994) 'Maidenforming the Caribbean: concerns about Jamaica's industrial export promotion policy', *Caribbean Geography*, 5(2), pp102-116.

Ramphall, D. (1994) 'Caribbean industrialization as sustainable development: exploring the contradictions', 5(2), *Caribbean Geography*, pp81-91.

Possekkel, A.K. (1996) 'Offshore financial centres in the Caribbean: potential and pitfalls', *Caribbean Geography*, 7(2), pp81-96.

Nanita-Kennett, M. (1992) 'Industrial Free Zones in the Dominican Republic', *Caribbean Geography*, 3(3), pp200-204.

Wilson, M. (1994) 'Jamaica's back office: direct dial development or dependency?', *Caribbean Geography*, 5(2), pp117-126.

## Lectures 9 & 10

- A good geographical discussion of the urban informal sector is in David Drakakis-Smith's book *Third World City* (1987). The book is in the main library.
- Potter et al's *Geographies of Development* has a short section in Chapter 9.
- Two articles illustrating on the informal sector are in the box file. These are: Jellinek, L. (1988) 'The Changing fortunes of a Jakarta street trader', in Gugler, J. (ed) *The Urbanization of the Third World*, pp205-223, and Terry McGee (1977) 'The persistence of the proto-proletariat: occupational structures and planning of the future of Third World Cities'.
- Michael Lipton's paper on 'Why poor people stay poor' is the original source of the 'urban bias' hypothesis and is in the box file.
- Tim Unwin's chapter 'Urban interaction in developing countries: a theoretical perspective', in Potter, R.B. & T. Unwin (1989) *The Geography of Urban-Rural interaction in developing countries*, pp11-33, is also in the box file as an example of geographical perspectives on this theme.

## Lectures 11 & 12

- Sections of Chapter 10 in Potter et al. *Geographies of Development* are essential reading. The chapter provides an overview of the changes in rural development thinking over the last few decades.
- Walter Stohr's chapter 'Development from Below' is available in the box file and is taken from the book *Development from Above or Below* (1981) (eds) W. Stohr and D.R. Fraser Taylor.
- Robert Chambers' books *Rural Development: Putting the Last First* (1983) and *Whose Reality Counts? Putting the First Last* (1997) are classic critiques on rural development thinking.
- There is a lot of reading material on rural sustainable livelihoods available can be from the internet. Use Google to search for article and information, or try the IDS website (Institute of Development Studies, University of Sussex).
- Current issues and projects on land reform can be accessed through the FAO website ([www.fao.org](http://www.fao.org)). Also, an NGO called the Rural Development Institute has an interesting website ([www.rdiland.org](http://www.rdiland.org)) with current ideas on the topic..

### Key texts

**Potter, R.B., Barker, D., Conway, D. & T. Klak** (2004) *Contemporary Caribbean*, Harlow, England: Pearson Education/Prentice Hall.

**Potter, R.B., Binns, T. Elliot, J.E. & D. Smith** (2003) *Geographies of Development*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edn., Harlow, England: Pearson/Prentice Hall.

**Knox, P.L., Agnew, J. & L. McCarthy** (2003) *The Geography of the World Economy*, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edn., London: Arnold.

### Additional recommended texts

**Barker, D. & D. F. M. McGregor (eds)** (1995) *Environment and Development in the Caribbean: Geographical Perspectives*, Kingston: UWI Press.

- Barker, D. & D. F. M. McGregor (eds)** (2003) *Resources, Planning & Environmental Management in a Changing Caribbean*, UWI Press: Kingston.
- Berry, B. J. L., Conkling, E. C. & D. M. Ray** (1997) *The Global Economy in Transition*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edn., New Jersey: Prentice Hall.
- Chambers, R.** (1983) *Rural Development: Putting the Last First*, London: Longman.
- Dicken, P.** (2003) *Global Shift: transforming the world economy*, 4<sup>th</sup> Edn., London: Paul Chapman.
- France, L. (ed)** (1997) *The Earthscan Reader in Sustainable Tourism*, Earthscan: London.
- Klak, T. (ed)** (1998) *Globalization and Neoliberalism: The Caribbean Context*, Lanham, Maryland: Rowman & Littlefield Inc.
- Knox, P. L. & S.A. Marston** (2003) *Places and Regions in Global Context: Human Geography*, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edn., New Jersey: Prentice Hall.
- McGregor, D.F.M., D. Barker & S. Lloyd Evans (eds)** (1998) *Resource Sustainability and Caribbean Development*, Kingston: UWI Press.
- Shaw, G. & A.M. Williams** (1994) *Critical issues in Tourism: A Geographical Perspective*, Oxford: Blackwell
- Stutz, F.P. & A.R. de Souza** (1998) *The World Economy: Resources Location, Trade and Development*, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edn., New York: Macmillan.

*Box File in Departmental Office*

Key journal articles and chapters from books will be placed in a box file housed in the departmental office on a lecture-by-lecture basis. These photocopied items are available for overnight loan.