

IECO/ECON 401, Assignment #5

Preliminary empirical results

The aim of this 3-5 page paper is to present results of your analyses. Get as far along as you can, because your next task will be a draft of your entire paper.

Some advice regarding the data and empirics:

- i. Re-read "10 Commandments for Tables":
<http://pacific.commerce.ubc.ca/keith/tabcoms.htm>
- ii. Tables should be self-contained to the extent possible.
- iii. Present the basics first (differences of means, OLS, etc.). Then explain why the simple correlations might be biased before you try anything fancier (fixed effects, 2SLS, etc.).
- iv. Discuss your results in the context of the theory.

Note: by 10 AM the day before the meeting you must:

- (a) Give a hard copy of the paper to your mentor.
- (b) Send electronic copies of your paper to your mentor and each person in your small group.

Papers submitted after 10 AM the day before your meeting will be considered late. I will not have time to read papers submitted after 5 PM the day before your meeting.