

EE479 Seminar in Human Resources, Natural Resources and Environmental Economics

Presentation #1

- Students may select current news or articles related to Human Resources Economics, Natural Resources and Environmental Economics
- The length of the presentation is approximately 15 minutes.

Presentation #2

- The presentation must include tentative research topics + introduction + objective + brief literature review + limitation of the existing paper + contribution of your paper
- The length of the presentation is approximately 15-20 minutes.
- Brief literature review should answer the following questions:
 - What is the primary question/issue/hypothesis that the author wanted to address?
 - Why is the question interesting or important?
 - What data does the author use (if empirical paper)?
 - Give an intuitive description of the author's test or model?
 - What are the author's finding or conclusions?

The second half should be a critique of the paper. It may consider one or two of the following questions:

- Are you convinced by the author's results/arguments? Why or why not?
- Do you believe they found a causal relationship? Why or why not?
- Did the results obtained justify the interpretation and conclusions?
- Were appropriate controls used or did the approach adequately test the hypothesis?
- Do you think the results could be biased in some way? Explain.