

Main Objective

- The purpose of this case study is twofold. 1 – You will learn how to successfully research and diagnose economic indicators, shortfalls, and opportunities in countries that have historical economic struggles. 2 – You will create a plan to help the country emerge from its struggles through segmented and designed processes.

Step 1

- Choose a country off of the list in the link below that you either have a personal tie to or that you are interested in personally. Please do not choose a country in which you have no interest. This case study will lose meaning and validity if you do.
 - [Country List](#)
 - Use this [document](#) to sign up for your country. There are to be no duplicates.

Step 2

- Follow this [link](#) to the Human Development Reports published by the United Nations Development Programme.
- In this section you need to read the opening page to understand what the Human Development Index is and determine why and how we use it to guide economic policy.
- Next, read this [section](#) on understanding the data that I will be asking you to compile in the 3rd step.

Step 3

- Once you have chosen your country, find it on this [page](#). You need to create a table or chart in Microsoft Excel or on another spreadsheet program with all of the following relevant data...
 - Health
 - Education
 - Income/Composition of Resources

- Inequality
 - Gender
 - Poverty
 - Work, employment and vulnerability
 - Human Security
 - Trade and Financial Flows
 - Mobility and Communication
 - Environmental sustainability
 - Demography
- The answer to your next question is, YES, I want you to copy all of that data. You will need to create the sub-categories as well. You will be referring to this data for the entire year. You have hopefully noticed by now that this list represents all of the categories listed for your country.
 - The reasoning behind this is that you will, over time, choose different sections of this index in order to begin to formulate a plan for success.
 - I do not need a written paper to go along with your data. I am an economist. I like numbers. We will make sense of the numbers through writing as time goes on.

Step 4

- Create a new data set for a developed country directly next to the one you created for the country you chose. You can find that list [here](#). (forgive the wiki page)
- Yes, use all of the same categories. You will use this to make comparisons regarding lesser developed countries and developed nations.

The Product

- When you enter class on the first day of school, you will be responsible for submitting your spreadsheet with all of the relevant data included into a Schoology assignment. The spreadsheet is a summative assignment and will be read and graded accordingly.
 - I realize that this is not an all-consuming summer assignment, but you will be able to see the vision for this project as the first semester continues.
 - The most important part of this initial assignment is that you choose a country that you care about. Being personally invested in this case study is paramount.

Have Fun!!! I can't wait to see what what you all choose to do.

*** Please also join the temporary Schoology page for this assignment. I will post reminders as the summer goes on. The group code is...

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