

# Economic Transition in Capitalist Society

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BLOG-ESSAY

# Blog Posts (Essays about Economic Alternatives)

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**Blog Posts (Essays on Economic Alternatives):** Students will write a blog (essay) of approximately 600–1000 words on a topic related to economies and societies, degrowth, critiques of current political economy, land back, diverse economies, ecological economics, expanding the commons, and/or alternatives to capitalism, as covered in the course lectures and required readings. Although the format is a blog, the content must be based on research rather than personal opinion. To achieve an A grade, the blog must include references to at least eight reliable, valid, and credible sources in addition to the course readings. Students with production skills may choose to create a video or podcast instead of a blog; however, this alternative must be approved by Professor Erik beforehand.

# Suggested Structure

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Hook/Introduction

Main argument

Support

Evidence

Address counter-evidence

Hook/Conclusion

# What Topic Interests You So Far?

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Economies and societies

Degrowth

Critiques of current political economy

Land back

Diverse economies

Social Reproduction

Social Economy

Ecological Economics

Doughnut Economics

Food Sovereignty

Commons-Decommodification

# Get More Specific

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- 1 – What general topic are you going to write about?
- 2 – What specific topic do you want to write about?
- 3 – What is your main argument, question or point?
- 4 – What evidence will you use to support your argument, answer your questions or prove your point?
- 5 – What evidence may counter your main argument, complicate your question or disprove your points? Why are your arguments and points better? How can you avoid complications?
- 6 – What course readings will you make reference to?
- 7 – What other readings will you make reference to?
- 8 – How can you weave in a good hook and conclusion?

# Rubric

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