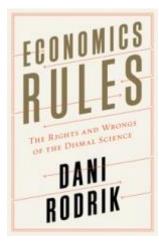
## Primera clase.

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## Presentación.

Alfred Marshall called modern economics an "Organan," ancient Greek for tool, not a body of truths but an "engine of analysis" useful for discovering truths and, as the term implied, an implement that would never be perfected or completed but would always require improvement, adaptation, innovation. His student John Maynard Keynes called economics an "apparatus of the mind" that, like any other science, was essential for analyzing the modern world and making the most of its possibilities.

Sylvia Nasar, Grand Pursuit.



Drawing on the history of the field and his deep experience as a practitioner, Rodrik insists that economic activity defies universal laws. But when economists embrace their expertise as a set of tools, not as a grand unified theory, they can improve the world. From successful antipoverty programs in Mexico to growth strategies in Africa and intelligent remedies for domestic inequality, Rodrik highlights the profound

positive influence of economics properly applied.

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Economía.

1. Resultados del curso pasado.

## 2. Oportunidades que nos esperan.

2.1. Relevancia del tema.

"Economics is like gravity: Ignore it and you will be in for some rude surprises."

Charles Wheelan, Naked Economics.

2.2. Aproximación personal.

La Economía es útil y divertida.

- 3. Competencias.
- 3.1. Competencias asociadas al tema de estudio (saber Economía).
- 3.2. Competencias asociadas a la metodología (saber hacer Modelos Económicos).

The term "economics" has come to be used in two different ways. One definition focuses on the substantive domain of study: in the interpretation, economics is a social science devoted to understanding how the economy works. The second definition focuses on methods: economics is a way of doing science, using particular tools. In this interpretation the discipline is associated with an apparatus of formal modeling and statistical analysis rather than particular hypothesis or theories about the economy.

Dani Rodrik, Economic Rules.

4. Evaluación.

Trabajos de clase. Nota numérica. Media. 40%. Exámenes parciales. 60%.