ECON 4784: Economic Development
Reading List

Books


**Articles**

**I. Cross-Country Income/Development/Growth Differences**


II. Explanations—Factor Accumulation vs. Technological Change


III. Explanations—Household Decision-Making and Demographics

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