

**IS 215**  
**Instructions for the First Paper Assignment**

**Choose one of the following questions to answer in a 4-5 page double spaced stapled essay. I am looking for analytical or critical papers and not literature reviews or class lecture regurgitations. Must take a side in the essay (cannot sit on the fence). Take a stand and provide a number of intelligent comments, grounded in the readings and class lectures, to substantiate your argument. Doing this will increase your probability of getting a high score. Make sure to indicate clearly in your essay which question you are answering. The paper is due February 2 at 11.30 in class. NO EXCEPTIONS.**

**Question 1:**

Some third world countries argue that the prominent measures of development that are currently used are culturally biased against them. What do they mean? Do you agree or disagree? Why?

**Question 2:**

Which economic theory do you side with: Comparative Advantage or Dependencia? Why?

**Question 3:**

Is political development (Democracy) a wise thing to pursue first or should it come later? Why?