



## Geography 460: Geography of Economic Change

**Location: CH 220 TR 12:30-1:45 pm**

Geography 460 is an advanced study of economic geography and political economy. The world is more connected than ever – economically, socially, environmentally and politically. We will draw on foundational theories of political economy to study how and why economies – from household to global scales, in industrial and agrarian sectors – are organized as they are, and to whose benefit. Our main objective will be to investigate how the economy and society interact with each other. We will see how various interest groups – such as transnational firms and environment and labor advocates – remake and influence economic geographies.

This segment of Diego Rivera's Detroit Industry Mural depicts part of the assembly line at Ford Motor Co.'s plant in Dearborn, Michigan – what made Ford such an important part of the US economy after World War II and why has the US auto industry, and the city of Detroit, been so volatile in recent years?

