

GUIDELINES FOR PAPER PARAGRAPH

For class on Monday, March 9, please bring a written title and brief description of the topic for your research paper. In the brief description, state:

- the title and author(s) of the paper that you plan to base your own paper on;
- the variable or phenomenon to be explained or interpreted or predicted;
- some possible explanatory variables or factors;
- where data can be found, and how you plan to go about obtaining data.

My expectation is that most of you will write your Econ 590 papers on the broad topic described in this paragraph. Most of you will find that the emphasis, details and perhaps even conclusion are not quite what you had planned or expected: this is normal in the course of research. As well, a couple of you may switch topics altogether, with the typical reason being that data proved not to be available. Switching for data or other reasons is allowed.

If you prefer to email me the paper paragraph before class, that is fine, provided I receive your email message by 2pm on Monday, March 9.

