Econ 275b. Public Economics

**Day / time:** T/Th 1:00 - 2:15 pm  
**Course Type:** Undergraduate  
**Course term:** Spring  
Not offered  
**Instructor(s):** [Cormac O'Dea](https://economics.yale.edu/courses/econ-275b-public-economics)  
**Location:** Luce 101

The role of government in the economy and in our economic lives. Reasons for government intervention in the market economy and the impact of government expenditure programs and taxation systems on welfare and behavior. Tools of microeconomics applied to issues such as government response to global warming, the impact of redistribution and social insurance on individual behavior, school choice, social security vs. private retirement savings accounts, and government vs. private health insurance.

After introductory microeconomics.

[Also PLSC 281b]

**Semester offered:** Not offered  
**Undergrad Course Category:** Public  
**Prerequisite List:** Only intro micro as prerequisite

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