

# **Basic Income Resources**

University of Michigan teach-out, organized by topic.

## **Poverty in America**

#### **Articles**

- The Washington Post: "Extreme Poverty Returns to America" Dec. 21, 2017
- Vox.com: "The official poverty measure is garbage. The census has found a better way." Sep. 12, 2017
- The Atlantic: "New Census Data Shows More Americans Emerging From Poverty" Sep. 12, 2017
- The Washington Post: "Poverty is moving to the suburbs. The war on poverty hasn't followed" Apr. 5, 2018
- Vox.com: "Here's what you have to earn to be considered low-income in the US" Apr. 20, 2017
- National Public Radio: "The Changing Picture Of Poverty: Hard Work Is 'Just Not Enough!" May 7, 2014

#### **Books**

- "The Financial Diaries: How American Families Cope in a World of Uncertainty" by Jonathan Morduch and Rachel Schneider
- "Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City" by Matthew Desmond
- "\$2.00 a Day: Living on Almost Nothing in America" by H. Luke Schaefer and Kathryn Edin

#### **Podcasts**

- WNYC's On the Media: "The Poverty Tour" Sep. 28, 2016
- Vox's The Weeds: "Are we counting poverty all wrong?" Oct. 30, 2015

## The Social Safety Net

### **Articles**

- PBS.org: "We need to fix the social safety net, not shame those who need it" Feb. 2, 2017
- The Center on Budget and Policy Priorities: "<u>Census Says Four Programs Which House Eyes for Cuts Keep Millions From Poverty</u>" Sep 12, 2017

### **Podcasts**

- On the Media: "When the Safety Net Doesn't Catch You" Oct. 21, 2016
- Banter (by The American Enterprise Institute): "Robert Doar on a Safety Net that Works" Feb. 9, 2017
- Ricochet's Political Economy Podcast: "The State of the Safety Net"

## **The Changing Economy**

### **Articles**

- Vox.com: "Why we need to plan for a future without jobs"
- Washington Post: "Now hiring, for a one-day job: the gig economy hits retail" May 4, 2018.
- The Atlantic: "Fewer Unions, Lower Pay for Everybody" Aug 30, 2016

ICT's mission is to study and help professionals navigate challenging career transitions in a changing economic landscape.

We envision a society where every professional can sustain a career through inevitable uncertainties

and in which "work" is an evolving concept

#### **Books**

"Rise of the Robots: Technology and the Threat of a Jobless Future" by Martin Ford

#### Video

• Shift Change (Vox.com): The big debate about the future of work, explained

#### **Podcasts**

• Freakonomics Radio: <u>Is Income Inequality Inevitable?</u>

## **Basic Income**

#### **Articles**

- Vox.com: "Basic income: the world's simplest plan to end poverty, explained" Apr. 25, 2016
- The Economist: "If A Universal Basic Income Took Off Giving Money To Everyone" Jul. 23, 2017
- FiveThirtyEight.com: "What Would Happen If We Just Gave People Money?" Apr. 25, 2016
- Medium.com: "What a Basic Income Would Mean to Domestic Workers" Feb. 27, 2017
- New York Times: "A Universal Basic Income Is a Poor Tool to Fight Poverty" Jun. 1, 2016
- Vox.com: "A new study debunks one of the biggest arguments against basic income" Sep. 20, 2017
- Vox.com: "A guaranteed income for every American would eliminate poverty and it wouldn't destroy the economy" Jul. 23, 2014.
- Wired. "Free Money: The Surprising Effects Of A Basic Income Supplied By Government" Nov. 12, 2017
- The Atlantic: "Free Money at the Edge of the Tech Boom" Oct. 9, 2017
- The Economist: "Finland tests a new form of welfare" Jun. 24, 2017
- Medium.com: "What a New Survey from Alaska Can Teach Us about Public Support for Basic Income" Jun. 28, 2017
- WAMU "Universal Basic Income Could Help D.C.'s Poorest Get By, But Can The City Afford It?" Mar. 5, 2018

#### **Books**

- "Raising the Floor: How a Universal Basic Income Can Renew Our Economy and Rebuild the American Dream" by Andy Stern
- "With Liberty and Dividends for All: How to Save Our Middle Class When Jobs Don't Pay Enough" by Peter Barnes
- "Fair Shot: Rethinking Equality and How We Earn" by Chris Hughes

### **Videos**

- Rutegr Bregman (Ted.com): "Poverty isn't a lack of character, it's a lack of cash"
- Vox.com: "Basic income, explained"
- Adam Brown: "Basic Income in the U.S."

### **Podcasts**

- NPR All Things Considered: "How to Fix Poverty: Why Not Just Give People Money?"
- Vox's The Weeds: "A Deep Dive on Basic Income"
- Politico's Off Message: "Can This Millennial Mayor Make Universal Basic Income a Reality?"
- NPR Planet Money: "The Basic Income Experiment"
- Freakonomics Radio: "Is the World Ready for a Basic Income?"

## The Personal Toll of Poverty

#### **Documentaries**

- PBS Frontline: "Poor Kids"
- PBS Frontline: "Poverty, Politics, and Profit"
- Wall Street Journal: "A Portrait of Poverty in America: Job Insecurity and Payday Lending"
- CNNMoney "This is life on \$7.50 an hour"
- Magnolia Pictures: "A Place At the Table"

## **Simulations**

## U.S. focus:

- Urban Ministries of Durham: "Spent"
- United Way: "Walk in My Shoes"
- United Way: "Making Tough Choices"
- Marketplace Money: "Could you live off of \$438 a day?"

## International focus:

- United Way: "Make the Month Canada"
- Live 58: "Survive 125" (Focusing on India)
- OxFam: "A Seat at the Table"