A Companion to Economic Geography

Here is an exemplary ‘Companion’ or guide to contemporary economic geography: a set of exciting, provocative, sometimes polemical and passionate, but always informative essays on the major debates and issues of the day in Anglo-American economic geography. … [It] not only looks backward, to established theories and frameworks, but also forward, to the emerging global economy and the new approaches needed to understand its dynamics. The total effect is of a melange of lively, piercing, and surprising perspectives on a field that far from constituting the geographical branch of the ‘dismal science’ seems at the centre of contemporary debates about the condition of the world and its likely directions in the years ahead.

John A. Agnew, University of California, Los Angeles
Blackwell Companions to Geography

Blackwell Companions to Geography is a blue-chip, comprehensive series covering each major subdiscipline of human geography in detail. Edited and contributed by the discipline’s leading authorities, each book provides the most up to date and authoritative syntheses available in its field. The overviews provided in each Companion will be an indispensable introduction to the field for students of all levels, while the cutting-edge, critical direction will engage students, teachers, and practitioners alike.

Published

1. A Companion to the City
   Gary Bridge and Sophie Watson (eds)

2. A Companion to Economic Geography
   Eric Sheppard and Trevor J. Barnes (eds)

Forthcoming

3. A Companion to Political Geography
   John Agnew, Katharyne Mitchell, and Gearóid O Tuathail (eds)
A Companion to Economic Geography

Edited by
Eric Sheppard
University of Minnesota

and

Trevor J. Barnes
University of British Columbia
Eric Sheppard would like to dedicate this book to the many undergraduates over the past twenty years in his Geography of the World Economy course, and the graduate students who took the pro-seminar The State, The Economy and Spatial Development, as well as the various research seminars in economic geography offered over the years. Trevor Barnes would like to dedicate this book to the hundreds of students at the University of British Columbia who have taken some version of his course, Introduction to Economic Geography. We have learnt much more from the students than we ever taught them.