

# Deirdre McCloskey uses my book!

Deirdre McCloskey, distinguished professor of economics at the University of Illinois uses my *Why Europe Was First* for a course she teaching at the University of Gothenburg this summer. Yes, I knew someone would discover this book in the end! Professor McCloskey is a [very interesting person](#) with some considerable cult following. Lets hope this means more people will actually read it.

- [This is her online syllabus.](#)

I corresponded a bit with Deirdre – as I like to call her – and she said lots of nice things about my book. I was particularly thrilled by this since she is the author of [Economical Writing](#), a book on how social scientists can learn to write better ☐