ECON-1106: Introduction to Economic Development Due: February 4, 2022

Assignments must be uploaded to Nexus – Assessments – Assignment 1 Each question is worth 7 marks (28 marks total)

- **1.** Summarize one of the episodes of the CBC Radio podcast: 'The Cost of Living' (https://www.cbc.ca/listen/live-radio/1-379-cost-of-living).
- 2. Summarize one of the topics discussed on the podcast Freakonomics (http://freakonomics.com/archive/) and describe how this topic is related to an economics concept discussed in class.
- **3.** According to this article:

https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/manitoba/manitoba-carbon-tax-costs-average-family-1.5077128

- a. What was the estimated carbon tax related costs for the average household in Manitoba in 2019?
- b. What was the estimated rebate for a 2-adult, 2-child household?
- c. Do rebates influence your opinion of the carbon tax? Why or why not?
- **4.** What do you think of the effectiveness of the Quebec vaccination tax in increasing vaccination rates? Please explain.