

6E:125 Fall, 2009
Global Economics and Business
Lecture: 1:05-2:20 TTH W151 PBB
Discussions: on Fridays
Sec 1: 10:30 E224 CB
Sec 2: 11:30 W207 PBB
Sec 3: 12:30 W207 PBB

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Course Description: This course focuses on the international economy and globalization. Specific topics covered include, the North American Free Trade Agreement, high-tech trade and growth, trade policies for developing countries, the European Economic Community, trade and budget deficits, U.S. competitiveness, protection of international trade, dumping, trade and job loss, globalization and inequality. We emphasize a unified approach to these topics that makes use of economic modeling methodology. Basic models of international trade are developed and related to the above topics. There is extensive application and discussion of current international economics and business topics.

Expectations: The course is taught in two lecture and one discussion section per week. There are nine homework assignments required and there are three equally weighted exams. We will make extensive use of current media coverage of international trade and business issues. Each class will begin with a discussion of one or more articles from recent periodicals. Students are encouraged to participate in these discussions. *Exams will cover material that arises in these discussions so attendance in every class is essential!*

Required Text: World Trade and Payments, 10th Edition by Caves, Frankel and Jones (available at U of Iowa Bookstore) All course information, assignments, lecture notes and grades can be found on the course website reached through ICON.

Grading Policies: There will be nine homework assignments worth eleven points each and three exams worth 100 points each for a total of 399 points. Final Grades will be curved in accordance with College and University guidelines. Plus-minus grading will be used in this course. Students taking the course pass-fail will be required to receive at least a C- to pass the course.

Useful links:

Course webpage: <http://icon.uiowa.edu/index.shtml>

Text webpage: http://wps.aw.com/aw_caves_wtp_10/49/12758/3266236.cw/index.html

My webpage: <http://www.biz.uiowa.edu/faculty/rriezman/index.html>

The Economics department webpage: <http://tippie.uiowa.edu/economics/>

Course Outline and Approximate Schedule

8/25	Chapter 2
8/27	Chapter 3
9/1	Chapter 3
9/3	Chapter 4
9/8	Chapter 4 Problem set #1 due
9/10	Chapter 5
9/15	Chapter 5
9/17	Chapter 6
9/22	Chapter 6 Problem set #2 due
9/24	Chapter 7
9/29	Chapter 9 Problem set #3 due
10/1	Chapter 9

10/6	EXAM
EXAM #1: Tuesday October 6 IN CLASS	
10/8	Chapter 10
10/13	Chapter 10
10/15	Chapter 11 Problem set #4 due
10/20	Chapter 11
10/22	Chapter 12 Problem set #5 due
10/27	Chapter 13
10/29	Chapter 14 Problem set #6 due
11/3	EXAM
EXAM #2 Tuesday November 3 IN CLASS	
11/5	Chapter 15
11/10	Chapter 16
11/12	Chapter 16
11/17	Chapter 17 Problem set #7 due
11/19	Chapter 17
12/2	Chapter 18 Problem set #8 due
12/3	Chapter 18
12/8	Chapter 19 Problem set #9 due
12/10	Chapter 19

EXAM #3: Friday December 18 at 12:00 Noon in W151 PBB

Exam Policies

All three exams are given in class. Exam #3 will be given at the regularly scheduled final exam time---
Friday December 18, 12:00 Noon in the regular classroom-**W151 PBB** **There will be no makeup exams.** All exams are closed book. No electronic devices *of any kind* may be used during exams. If you have any questions please see me to discuss them.

Disabilities and Emergency Information

****PLEASE NOTE:** If you have a disability that may require some modification of seating, testing, or any other class requirement, please let me know as soon as possible so that appropriate arrangements can be made. Similarly if you have any emergency medical information about which I should know, or if you need special arrangements in the event the building must be evacuated, please let me know. Please see me after class hours or during my scheduled office hours or schedule an appointment. I would also remind you that the Office of Student Disability Services is available to assist you.

Policies on Cheating and Misconduct

It is my sincere hope that no student in this class does work which is not his or her own. However, it seems prudent to clarify in advance the policy on cheating. All exams in this course are "closed book." Students may not use any books, notes or other outside material during an exam. In addition, no electronic devices of any kind (including calculators) can be used during the exam. Looking at another student's exam is not allowed. If these rules are violated the student will receive a zero (0) for the exam and may receive an "F" for the class.

All incidents of cheating during exams or on assignments will be reported to the appropriate Deans (e.g., the Associate Dean for the Undergraduate Program in the College of Business or Liberal Arts) and the student may be placed on disciplinary probation for the remainder of his or her undergraduate work at the University of Iowa.

Any decision I take may be appealed to the relevant Dean for the Undergraduate Program, the Collegiate Dean, the Dean of Students, and so on in accordance with University Policy. This course is given by the Tippie College of Business. This means that class policies on matters such as requirements, grading, and sanctions for academic dishonesty are governed by the Tippie College of Business. Students wishing to add or drop this course after the official deadline must receive the approval of the Dean of the Tippie College of Business. Details of the University policy of cross enrollments may be found at:

<http://www.uiowa.edu/~provost/deos/crossenroll.doc>