Econ335: International Economics

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You <u>MUST</u> establish your password to be able to download and view most of the course materials and to get the self-graded homeworks graded.

1 Course objective

Our main focus in this course will be to understand some of the more recent developments in the international economic orders such as various trade blocs (European Union, NAFTA, ASEAN etc), international capital flows and international financial crises (as in Thailand, Indonesia Korea). To analyze these and other related issues systematically, we must first develop the appropriate economic framework. The course will do all that.

Note: This course meets the General Education (G.E.) requirement in category III.C.2. Implications, Explorations, and Participatory Experience in the Social Sciences. It includes the following goals for student learning: a. To understand broad, unifying themes in the Social Sciences from cross-disciplinary perspectives, b. To solve complex problems that require social scientific reasoning, c. To relate the social sciences to significant social problems or to other related disciplines. The course includes a significant writing component with evaluations offering opportunities for students to improve their writing.

Academic Dishonesty: Academic dishonesty of any kind will not be tolerated. It will lead to a grade of F and will be reported to the administration for further action.

2 Course requirements

Mid Term Exam 1 (20%), Mid-term Exam 2 (20%), Graded Homework (10%), Group Paper and Presentation (10%), class participation and attendance (random days and times) (5%) and Final Exam (35%).

Paper and Presentation:

Details will be discussed later in class.

TEXT: Thomas A. Pugel and Peter H. Lindert, "International Economics" Eleventh Edition, Irwin McGraw-Hill. (Abbreviation PL means the above text book)

Day	Planned class activities
February 7	1. Introduction, (Chapter 1 of PL)
February 14	2. The Basic Theory of Trade (Ch. 2 of PL); Ricardian Theory (Ch. 3 of PL)
February 21	3. Heckscher-Ohlin Theory (Ch. 3 of PL)
February 28	4. Who gains and who loses from Trade (Ch. 4 of PL)
March 7	First Mid-Term Exam
March 14	5. Trade Policies -Tariff (Ch.7 of PL)
March 21	6. Non-tariff Barriers to import ch.8
March 28	7. Pushing Exports, ch. 10 of PL
April 11	8. Foreign Exchange (ch 15, 16, 17, 20)
April 18	Second Mid-Term Examination
April 25	9. International Lending and Financial Crisis (ch. 26)
May 2	10. Direct Foreign Investment and the multinationals (ch. 27 of PL)
May 9	Student Paper Presentation
May 16	Student Paper Presentation
May 23	Catching-up and Review