

## Econ335: International Economics

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### 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.

### 2 Course requirements

There will be a few homework assignments which you should do online by the deadline. The homeworks will be automatically graded and your grade will be automatically posted. You can post it only once, so please be careful when you submit it. If you want to just browse but not submit, please save the homework locally at your own computer, or just print it, and **DO NOT press submit button**. Practice your homework and then when you are ready fill out the answers and **then press submit**. Do all these by the deadline.

During the first two weeks **you must meet with me** during my office hours to set-up your login id and password for the restricted course material access. You can also try to do it online. Without login id and password, you will not be able to access the materials, which are **essential** for your course. I will have roll calls on random lecture days. There will be two mid-term exams, one final exam, and 10 homework assignments and random roll calls, all carrying weights for your grade as follows:

The midterm exams each carries 20%, class attendance carries 5%, homework assignments carry 15% and the final exam which is cumulative carries 40% of the grade. There will be no make-up exam under any circumstances. Some of the course materials may not be available in the text book, I will post them on the course site. You will need a login id and password to retrieve them. It is important to attend all the classes. If you miss any class, please arrange with a classmate for the lecture notes. Since announcements, and course materials will be on the course site, it is essential that you visit the course site very frequently.

I emphasize a great deal on interactive learning. That means you must participate in the dialogues and discussions in the class. This skill will help you in your professional life after you graduate from school.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Economics 100 or 201.

**MID-TERM EXAMS:** Mid-Term Exams: Sept 20, and Oct 25, 2001 in class.

**FINAL EXAM:** December 13, 2001, 7:30-9:20PM

**TEXT:** Thomas A. Pugel and Peter H. Lindert, "*International Economics*" **Eleventh Edition**, Irwin McGraw-Hill.

(Abbreviation PL means the above text book)

### 3 SYLLABUS

Week of	Course Materials
August 23	Introduction, (Chapter 1 of PL)
August 30	The Basic Theory of Trade (Ch. 2 of PL);Ricardian Theory (Ch. 3 of PL)
Sept 6	Heckscher-Ohlin Theory (Ch. 3 of PL)
Sept 13	Who gains and who loses from Trade (Ch. 4 of PL);
<b>Sept 20</b>	<b>First Mid-term</b>
Sept 27	Trade Policies -Tariff (Ch.7 of PL)
Oct 4	Non-tariff Barriers to import ch.8
Oct 11	Pushing Exports, ch. 10 of PL
Oct 18	Trade Blocs, Ch. 11 of PL
<b>Oct 25</b>	<b>Second Mid-term exam</b>
Nov 1	Foreign Exchange (ch 15, 16, 17, 20)
Nov 8	Foreign Exchange (ch 15, 16, 17, 20)
Nov 15	International Lending and Financial Crisis (ch. 26)
Nov 29	Direct Foreign Investment and the multinationals (ch. 27 of PL)
Dec 6	Catching up and review of the materials