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Objectives

The main objectives for this course are:

1. To learn about models of: open economy macroeconomics and international finance.
2. To learn how to use these models to study the effects of various shocks and the effects of government policy.
3. To learn how to read and understand economics papers, including articles published in professional journals and working papers.
4. To learn about the tools used in economic research.

Grading

- 20%: In-class participation
- 40%: Presentation of a paper
- 40%: A paper

The paper requirement may be satisfied by one of the following:

1. An extended proposal (including literature review) for an MA Research Paper (i.e., the paper that is a requirement for graduation)
2. A critical review of a working paper. For this, you will require my prior approval of the working paper.

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- <http://oor.concordia.ca/services/researchethicsandcompliance/>
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Text

The lecture portion of the course will draw upon:

Schmitt-Grohé, S. and Uribe, M. (2015). *Open Economy Macroeconomics*. Unpublished, Columbia University.

Schmitt-Grohé, S., Uribe, M., and Woodford, M. (2015). *International Macroeconomics*. Unpublished, Columbia University.

These texts can be downloaded from http://www.columbia.edu/~mu2166/lecture_notes.html

Reading List

The following lists potential papers for student presentations as well as working papers that could be the subject of a term paper.

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