Eco 152 Spring 2008

Location: A & B - Comenius 111, PM - Comenius 201

Time: A: 09:30 - 11:00 T&Th, B: 12:30-2:00 T&Th

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Office Hours: Tuesday, 2-4; Thursday, 2-4 and MWF by appointment

Textbook: Leeds, Von Allmen and Schiming, *Economics*, First Edition

Other texts: You will also be required to read:

• Heilbroner, R.L. The Worldly Philosophers: The Lives, Times and Ideas of the Great Economic Thinkers

Objectives: Our three main objectives for the semester is to ensure you as a student

 develop familiarity with the principles by which most economists deal with issues of scarcity

- develop an understanding and ability to use basic economics jargon and models to form logical arguments pertaining to both micro- and macroeconomic issues
- develop the ability to analyze economic arguments and to think critically about their benefits and consequences

Evaluation: Your performance evaluation in this course will be based on three components

- Three periodic knowledge accumulation and application assessments (45%)¹
- Knowledge and application retention assessment (25%)
- Writing evaluation (15%)
- Take home work (10%)
- Contribution to the classroom community (5%)

Community: Attendance will be taken via an attendance book. Because contribution to the

classroom community is counted as 5% of your grade, regular attendance is necessary but not sufficient to receive full credit in this category. You need to be an active and

willing participant in order to receive maximum credit in this category.

Classroom: It is an incredibly technologically advanced society we live in and I appreciate that

each student has the ability to communicate with just about anyone at anytime.

However, this technological capacity comes with the responsibility to use it in a manner that will not infringe upon the rights of others. As such I ask you to silence cellphones,

¹ Missing a periodic assessment will result in the weight of that periodic assessment being distributed across the two other assessments. In the event a second assessment is missed there are two potential resolutions: 1. If both missed assessments have sufficient documentation to deem them unavoidable a provisional contract will be negotiated between the student and instructor or 2. If one or both of the missed assessments is not accompanied by sufficient documentation to deem it (them) unavoidable, only the weight of one of the assessments will be distributed, and the weight of the other will be forfeited by the student.

twoways, pagers, etc. If your life/livelihood or the life/livelihood of others depends on you being able to respond to these devices, please minimize the disruption to the best of your ability. With respect to laptops, I do not forbid their use, I do however suggest you evaluate whether this is an effective method for accumulating knowledge, particularly in a class where graphs and formulas are regularly used.

Accommodation: Should you have any individual concerns regarding any disability including, but not limited to hearing, speech, vision, or seating, please discuss this with me during the first week of class in person or via email. Individuals from the counseling center will work with you to verify your need for accommodation and will help determine the environment in which you will have the opportunity to succeed in this course

Integrity:

The policy listed in the student handbook is the reference for any questions related to this topic.

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Month	Date	Topics	Due
January	15 17	Intro to Economics: Ch 1 &appendix Ch 2: Ch3	
	22 24	Ch 4 Ch 5	
	29 31	Ch 7 & appendix Ch 6	
February	5 7	Ch 8 Discussion and review	Paper Proposal Due in Class
	12 14	Evaluation 1 Chapter 9	
	19 21	Chapter 9 (cont) Ch 10 Ch 10	
	27 28	Ch 11 Ch 12	
March	4 6	SPRING BREAK SPRING BREAK	
	11 13	Ch 12: Select parts of Ch 13 Discussion and Review	Paper Outline Due
	18 20	Evaluation 2 Ch 19	
	25 27	Ch 20 Ch 21: Ch 22	
April	1 3	Ch 23 & appendix: Critiques Ch 15: Ch 18	
	8 10	Ch 24: Ch 25 Ch 26: Ch 27	Paper Due Friday April 11th by noon
	15 17	Discussion and Review Evaluation 3	
	22 24	Special Topics Special Topics	

^{*} All Take Homes are to be turned in NO LATER THAN 12 Noon on the Fridays specified. Late submissions will not be accepted.