

Economics 3403
International Economics and Policy
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Emails:

Only email me to schedule an appointment if you have classes during all of my office hours. For all other reasons you must see me in office hours. Do NOT email me about a grading dispute.

Web:

Incompletes, Extra Credit, etc.:

I adhere strictly to the University guidelines on Incompletes (“An IF is given only when students, *beyond their control*, have been unable to complete course requirements. A substantial amount of work must have been *satisfactorily completed* before approval for such a grade is completed.”). Economics department policy prohibits IWs. Bad grades, unsatisfactory performance, too many credit hours, work conflicts, etc. are not reasons for an incomplete.

I am adamant about giving each student an equal opportunity to perform well in the course, so there will be no extra credit opportunities that are not offered to the entire class. You should focus your efforts on learning the material and doing well on the exams.

Tentative Course Schedule:

Introduction, Review

General Equilibrium Modeling

The Classical/Ricardian Trade Model

The Heckscher-Ohlin Model

Exam 1: Monday, June 12th

The Specific Factors Model

Evidence and Other Reasons for Trade

Tariffs

Exam 2: Tuesday, June 20th

Non-tariff Barriers

Other Commercial Policies and issues

Public Choice and International Trade

Preferential Trade Arrangements

Trade Institutions

Exam 3: Wednesday, June 28th

Foreign Exchange Markets

Prices and Exchange Rates

Interest Rates and Interest Parity

Interest Rates, Exchange Rates, NCO and NX

Foreign Direct Investment and MNEs

Exam 4: Thursday, July 6th

Cumulative Final Exam: Friday, July 7th

Grading Scale:

| <u>Your score</u> | <u>Grade</u> |
|-------------------|--------------|
| 92% to 100% | A |
| 90% to 91% | A- |
| 88% to 89% | B+ |
| 82% to 87% | B |
| 80% to 81% | B- |
| 78% to 79% | C+ |
| 72% to 77% | C |
| 70% to 71% | C- |
| 68% to 69% | D+ |
| 62% to 67% | D |
| 60% to 61% | D- |
| Below 59.5% | F |

Additional Notes:

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Disabilities

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Religious holidays

A comprehensive calendar of the religious holidays most commonly observed by CU-Boulder students can be found at <http://www.interfaithcalendar.org/> Review this list and the class syllabus. After reviewing the syllabus, please see the instructor if you believe that you need an accommodation for religious reasons. The instructor should be notified within the first two weeks of classes. Campus policy regarding religious observances states that faculty must make *reasonable* accommodation for them and in so doing, be careful not to inhibit or penalize those students who are exercising their rights to religious observance. For more information see http://www.colorado.edu/policies/fac_relig.html

Code of Behavior

Students and faculty each have responsibility for maintaining an appropriate learning environment. Students who fail to adhere to behavioral standards may be subject to discipline. Faculty have the professional responsibility to treat students with understanding, dignity and respect, to guide classroom discussion and to set reasonable limits on the manner in which students express opinions. See policies at <http://www.colorado.edu/policies/classbehavior.html> and at http://www.colorado.edu/studentaffairs/judicialaffairs/code.html#student_code

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