Course Syllabus

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Course Description: This course provides a general overview of the theory of international trade and trade policy. We will analyze trade models in depth, discuss the causes of international trade and globalization, and examine trade policies and agreements. We will examine factor movements, imperfect markets, and the effect of trade on wages and income distribution.

Attendance will not be taken in class, but since the exams will be mostly based on the class lectures, absences will affect your course grade. You may also miss opportunities for extra credit.

Students requesting classroom accommodation must first register with the Dean of Students Office. The Dean of Students Office will provide documentation to the student who must then provide this documentation to the Instructor when requesting accommodation.

Grades: Your course grade will be based on two midterms and a final exam. You will receive 40% of your grade from the exam that you do best on, while the other two exams will both be worth 30%. Extra credit opportunities will be available during class, but will not be announced ahead of time.

Grading Scale: The course will use the following grading scale:

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For more information about the current UF grading policy, please see:
http://www.registrar.ufl.edu/catalog/policies/regulationgrades.html

Course Outline

Basic Trade Models

Week 1: 1/5: Introduction to the Course
Week 2: 1/10: NO CLASS (AEA Conference)  
1/12: Gravity Model and Gains from Trade Ch. 1 and 2
Week 3: 1/17: NO CLASS (MLK Day)  
1/19: Ricardian Model Ch. 3
Week 4: 1/24: Ricardian Model Ch. 3  
1/26: H-O Model Ch. 4
Week 5: 1/31: H-O Model Ch. 4  
2/2: International Factor Mobility Ch. 7
Week 6: 2/7: Test Review  
2/9: MIDTERM 1
Week 7: 2/14: Standard Trade Model Ch. 5  
2/16: Standard Trade Model Ch. 5
Week 8: 2/21: Imperfect Competition Ch. 6  
2/23: Imperfect Competition Ch. 6

Trade Policy

Week 9: 2/28: Instruments of Trade Policy Ch. 8  
3/2: Instruments of Trade Policy Ch. 8
Week 10: 3/7: NO CLASS (Spring Break)  
3/9: NO CLASS (Spring Break)
Week 11: 3/14: Political Economy of Trade Ch. 9  
3/16: Political Economy of Trade Ch. 9
Week 12: 3/21: Test Review  
3/23: MIDTERM 2
Week 13: 3/28: Development and Trade Ch. 10  
3/30: Development and Trade Ch. 10
Week 14: 4/4: Controversies in Trade Policy Ch. 11  
4/6: Economic Integration Ch. 20

Macroeconomics of Trade

Week 15: 4/11: Income Accounting Ch. 12  
4/13: Balance of Payments Ch. 13
Week 16: 4/18: Final Exam Review  
4/20: FINAL EXAM