E101 A Survey of Economic Issues and Problems  
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THIS CLASS IS PART OF THE TLC SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK :SMART HELPERS FOR THE WORLD STUDENTS MUST ALSO REGISTER FOR BOTH LECTURE AND SEMINAR CONTACT SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK FOR AUTHORIZATION.

Principles of Undergraduate Learning: E101 addresses understanding society and culture of the PULs.

By the end of the semester, you should have:

• developed a deep understanding of a number of core concepts of microeconomics and macroeconomics that are essential to good managerial decision making and informed analysis of any economic issue
• developed an ability to use key economic ideas in evaluating public policies. You should leave this course with a basic understanding of what types of government intervention benefit society.
• developed an ability to critically analyze economic arguments put forth in public policy debates. For instance, you should be able to read and evaluate general material in the New York Times, the Wall Street Journal, or the Economist.

Academic Integrity: I abide by the university policy on cheating as stated in the Student Code of Conduct available at http://life.iupui.edu/dos/code.htm

Required Text: Issues in Economics Today by Robert C. Guell (5th edition) Supplements from online resources can be used.
http://www.mhhe.com/guell4e Log into the student edition and use the pull down menu to access the chapter resources

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CAREFULLY.

Point Distribution: (TOTAL POINTS POSSIBLE = 100)
Two Mid-term Exam: 25 points each (Total points possible = 50)
Final Exam: 25 points (Total points possible = 25)
Five Quizzes:5 points each Total points possible = (25)

Mid-Term exam: Three mid-term exams consisting of 25 multiple choice questions will be given. Of these, only the best two will be counted. If an exam is missed, it will count as the dropped test. There will be NO make-ups for a missed mid-term exam. Please bring your calculator and a #2 pencil for each exam. Total points possible = 50 for the two mid-term
Final Exam: The final exam will also consist of 25 multiple choice questions. It will cover material completed after the third mid-term exam. Please bring your calculator and a #2 pencil for the exam. No make ups for final exam. This exam cannot be dropped. (Please see me in advance if there is a conflict). Total points possible = 25

Quizzes: There will be a total of 6 quizzes given in the semester. Only the best 5 of the 6 will count towards the final grade. Each quiz will consist of 10 MCQ’s. If a quiz is missed, it will automatically count as the dropped quiz. No make-up will be given for a quiz.

Grading policy: Letter grade will be awarded based on total points earned by student.
Point range Grade
100 – above 96 A+
96 – above 94 A
93 – above 90 A-
89 – above 86 B+
85 – above 83 B
82 - above 80 B-
79 – above 76 C+
75 – above 73 C
72 - above 70 C-
69 – above 66 D+
65 – above 63 D
62 - above 60 D-
59 and below F

Oncourse: Oncourse will be used for email, sending and receiving files, and as a gradebook. We will be using the “New” version for this course. All students are required to check Oncourse regularly for announcements and email.

Important websites:
http://registrar.iupui.edu/ (registrars office)
http://www.iupui.edu/~nosmoke/ (policy for no smoking)
http://registrar.iupui.edu/drop.html (add- drop dates)
http://life.iupui.edu/help/docs/Part_3all.html http://registrar.iupui.edu/misconduct.html. (academic misconduct)

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8/21 Class begins - Introduction
8/23 Thinking like an economist
8/28 Circular Flow Model Chapter 1
8/30 Opportunity Cost Chapter 1
9/4 Opportunity Cost Chapter 1
9/6 Supply and Demand Chapter 2
9/11 Supply and demand Chapter 2 Quiz # 1 (Chapter 1 and 2)
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