Syllabus for Fall 2010
Economics 303: International Economics
Department of Economics
Indiana University-Purdue University @ Indianapolis (IUPUI)
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I. Course Information
Course section: 1873
Period: August 23rd to December 13th 2010.
Meeting time: 6:00 pm to 8:40 pm Tuesday.
Location: SL 54
Contact Information
E-mail: bagborba@iupui.edu
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Location: 313 Cavanaugh Hall or by appointment

II. Course Materials
Required textbook: Students are expected to complete all assigned readings. This requires that you own the textbook for the course. The textbook for the course is:
Additional reading materials will be assignment as needed.

Library: You can search catalogues and access electronic resources from the library through the following web address http://www.ulib.iupui.edu

III. Course policies
Academic Honesty Statement:
The university is committed to academic integrity in all its practices. Intellectual integrity and a high academic conduct are virtues that are expected of all students. Practices that violate academic integrity undermine educational quality and achievement. You should all strive to uphold intellectual integrity and a high academic conduct in all my class activities.

Any behavior that is considered as cheating or academic dishonesty will not be tolerated in this course. This includes but it is not limited to, plagiarism, cheating in exams, acquisition of tests or other academic materials, as well as aiding and abetting others in committing the violation.

IV. Attendance Policies
Administrative Withdrawal Policy: A basic requirement of this course is that you will participate in class and conscientiously complete writing and reading assignments. Keep in touch with me if you are unable to attend class or complete an assignment on time. If you miss more than half of our class meetings within the first four weeks of the semester without contacting me, you will be administratively withdrawn from this section. Our class meets twice per week; thus if you miss more than four classes in the first four weeks, you may be withdrawn. Administrative withdrawal may have academic, financial, and financial aid implications. Administrative withdrawal will take place after the full refund period, and if you are administratively withdrawn from the course you will not be eligible for a tuition refund. Detailed information about the policy can be found in the following website: http://registrar.iupui.edu/withdrawal-policy.html

Specific Course Attendance Policies: Regular and timely attendance of all class sessions is required in this course. The course is designed in such a way that you have to turn in weekly
take-home quizzes that account for a substantial proportion (about 26%) of your final grade. All the quizzes must be submitted in class. You are required to be present in class for the quizzes to be accepted. If you are irregular in attendance, you may be asked to drop the course. I will collect roll every day in-class to make sure that the attendance policy is enforced.

Note the Following:

- **I will not accept any late quizzes and there is no provision for make-up-exams. All course activities are expected to be completed on their scheduled dates. There is no exception to this requirement.**
  - If you miss up to 5 classes, no matter the excuses and no matter how well you are performing in the course, the maximum grade you can earn in the course is a B grade.
  - If you miss more up to 8 classes, no matter the excuses and no matter how well you are performing in the course, the maximum grade you can earn in the course is a C grade.

**D. Methods of Assessment and Evaluation**

Economics is a very technical subject that requires practice. The assessment activities in this course are designed to emphasize important concepts through reinforcing activities. Your grade will be based on the following assessments:

**Take home Quizzes:** There is a take home quiz for each chapter that is covered. I consider the quizzes the most important activity in the course. If you understand how to approach the problems in the quizzes, you should be able to well in the tests and exams. The due dates for the quizzes will be told to you in class. We are going to cover 11 main chapters on Trade and 11 related take home quizzes. **Each quiz accounts for 3% of the course grade for a cumulative total of 33% of your grade.**

**In-Class Mid-term Exams:** There will be 3 mid-term tests that will take place in class. Each of the mid-term exams will accounts for 13% of the course grade for a cumulative total of 39% of your grade.

**In-class Final Exam**
A comprehensive final exam will be administered that accounts for 25% of the course grade. The exam will account for **28% of your grade.**

**Bonus Points for Attendance and Participation**
There is potential to earn 1% bonus point for class participation. I will record, your class participation each day in class. There is also potential to earn 2% bonus points for attendance. If you attend all the class sessions and turn in all assignments on time, you will earn 3% **bonus points that will be added to your cumulative course grade.**

**Summary of Course Assessments**

- Final Exam 28%
- 3 Mid-term exams@ 13% each 39%
- 11 Take-home Quizzes @ 3% each 33%
Bonus points for perfect attendance & submission of quizzes 3%

Grade Distribution

- A  90% and above
- A-  90% to 87%
- B+  87% to 84%
- B   84% to 81%
- B-  81% to 78%
- C+  78% to 74%
- C   74% to 71%
- C-  71% to 68%
- D+  68% to 60%
- D   69% to 55%
- D-  55% to 50%
- Below 50%

Summary of Course Activities & Examination schedule

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<td>Chapter 2: Trade and the Ricardo Model</td>
<td>Week 1 Lecture Chapter 1 Quiz is due</td>
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<td>Week 3 Lecture Chapters 3 &amp; 4 Quizzes due</td>
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<td><strong>First Mid-Term Exam</strong></td>
<td><strong>Exam will cover Chapters 1, 2, 3, &amp; 4</strong></td>
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<td>Chapter 5: Movement of Labor and Capital Between Countries-Migration. <strong>Optional Materials to be completed if time permits</strong></td>
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<td>- Capital Movements and Development</td>
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<td>Chapter 6: Increasing Returns to Scale and imperfect Competition</td>
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| Chapter 7: Foreign Outsourcing of Goods and Services | Week 7 lecture  
Chapter 6 Quiz due  
Chapter 7 Quiz due |
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**Second Mid-Term Exam**  
Exam will cover Chapters 6, 7, and 8.

**PART 4: INTERNATIONAL TRADE POLICIES**

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<th>Chapter 8: Import Tariffs and Quotas under Perfect Competition</th>
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| Chapter 9: Import Tariffs and Quotas under Imperfect Competition | Week 9 lecture  
Chapter 8 Quiz due |
| Chapter 10: Export Subsidies in Agriculture and high Tech industries | Week 10 lecture  
Chapter 9 Quiz due |
| Chapter 11: International Trade Agreements: Trade, Labor, and Environment | Week 11 lecture  
Chapter 10 Quiz due  
Chapter 11 Quiz due |

**Third Mid-Term Exam**  
Exam will cover Chapters 8, 9, 10, & 11.

**Final Exam**  
Friday December 10th, 2010. The exam will be comprehensive.

*With your cooperation, we are going to have a great semester. Let's do it.*