

Department of Economics Course Outline

Term: Fall 2005

Course: Economics 365

[Regional Economics]

TR 12:30 ? 13:45

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SA 104

Section:

Place:

(subject to change)

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These hours are subject to change

Textbook(s):

Time:

O?Sullivan, Arthur, Urban Econonics, latest - 5th edition. McGraw-Hill, Irwin, 2003. [Required]

Book(s) on Reserve:

None

Blackboard:

Students who are registered in this course can log in at http://blackboard.ucalgary.ca/webapps/login. Please note that Blackboard features a class e-mail list that I will use. It is your responsibility to ensure that Blackboard uses the e-mail address of your choice. The default is your University of Calgary e-mail address.

Course Outline:

(Some topics may be added or deleted depending on time constraints.)

- 1. Why Do Cities Exist? ? Chapter 2
- 2. Big and Small Cities? Chapter 3

- 3. Where Do Firms Locate? ? Chapter 4
- 4. Market Areas and Central Place Theory? Chapter 5
- 5. Introduction to Land Rent? Chapter 7
- 6. Land Use in the Monocentric City? Chapter 8
- 7. Land Use Controls and Zoning? Chapter 10
- 8. Autos and Highways? Chapter 11
- 9. Household Sorting? Chapter 13
- 10. Local Government Spending? Chapters 19
- 11. Local Government Revenue? Chapter 20

Grade Determination and Final Examination Details:

Midterm	30%	October 25, 2005
Assignment	20%	November 8, 2005 ? Late assignment will not be accepted.
Final Examination	50%	Scheduled by Registrar ? 2 Hours

Tests and final exams are marked on a numerical (percentage) basis, and then converted to letter grades. The course grade is then calculated using the weights indicated above. As a guide to determining standing, these letter grade equivalences will generally apply:

A+	97 - 100	В	79 - 83	C-	62 - 66
A	92 - 96	B-	76 - 78	D+	57 - 61
A-	89 - 91	C+	73 - 75	D	50 - 56
B+	84 - 88	C	67 - 72	F	0 ? 49

If, for some reason, the distribution of grades determined using the aforementioned conversion chart appears to be abnormal the instructor reserves the right to change the grade conversion chart if the instructor, *at the instructor's discretion*, feels it is necessary to more fairly represent student achievement.

A passing grade on any particular component of the course is not required for the student to pass the course as a whole.

Non-programmable

calculators WILL be allowed during the writing of the test and the final examination.

There will be a Registrar scheduled final examination, lasting 2 hours.

Tests and exams WILL NOT involve multiple choice questions.

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Notes:

- Students seeking reappraisal of a piece of graded term work (assignment, mid-term test) should discuss their work with the Instructor within two weeks of the work being returned to the class.
- Make-up mid-term tests/assignments and deferred mid-term tests/assignments will not be given. In cases of documented illness, documented family emergency, or documented religious observance, extra weight will be given to the final examination.
- Mid-term tests and the final examination will not be given before the indicated dates.
- Students are required to read the chapters listed in the outline

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