

Department of Economics Course Outline

		Term:	Winter 2010
Course:	Economics 377 [Economics of the Environment]	Section:	01
Time:	MWF 10:00-10:50	Place:	ES 443
Instructor:	Dr. E.A. Wilman		
Office:	SS542	Telephone:	(403)-220-6108
Office Hours:	MWF 14:00-15:00	E-mail:	eawilman@ucalgary.ca

Textbook(s):

Tom Tietenberg, Elizabeth Wilman and Peter Tracey *Environmental Economics and Policy*, Addison Wesley, Canadian edition (Pearson, 2009)

Book(s) on Reserve:

None. Other materials will be handed out in class or made available on Blackboard.

Course Outline:

Dates	Торіс	Chapters
Jan. 11	Visions of the Future: Doomsayers versus Doom-slayers	1
Jan. 13-Feb.1	Basic Concepts:	2, 3, 4, 5
	Valuing the Environment: Concepts and Methods,	
	Property Rights, Externalities and Environmental Problem	s,
	Defining Sustainable Development.	
Feb3. –Feb 12	Overview of Environmental Economics	6
Feb. 22	First Midterm Exam	
Feb. 24-26	Air Pollution: Stationary Sources and Mobile Sources	7, 8
Mar. 1-5	Water and Water Pollution	9
Mar. 8-12	Waste	10
Mar.15-Mar 26	Biodiversity: Forest Habitat	11
Mar. 29	Second Midterm Exam	
Mar. 31-April 12	Biodiversity: Commercial Species	12
April 14	Visions of the Future Revisited	14
April 16	Review	/2

Grade Determination and Final Examination Details:

Assignments	25%
2 Midterms	40%
Final Examination	35%

There will be three assignments. One will be before the first midterm, and two will be between the midterm and the final exam.

Tests and final exams are marked on a numerical (percentage) basis, 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+	95-100	В	77-81	C-	61-65
А	90-94	B-	74-76	D+	57-60
A-	87-89	C+	71-73	D	51-56
B+	82-86	С	66-70	F	0-50

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

Non-programmable calculators will be allowed during the writing of tests or final examinations.

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

Tests and exams will not involve multiple choice questions.

Students' Union Vice-President, Academic Meg Martin Phone: 403-220-3911 E-mail: suvpaca@ucalgary.ca

Students' Union Faculty Representative (Social Sciences) Chris Kalantzis Phone: 403-220-3913 Office MSC 251 E-mail <u>socialscirep@su.ucalgary.ca</u>

Society of Undergraduates in Economics (S.U.E.) E-mail: <u>sue@ucalgary.ca</u> <u>www.ucalgary.ca/sue</u>

Notes:

- Students seeking reappraisal of a piece of graded term work (term paper, essay, etc.) should discuss their work with the Instructor *within fifteen days* of the work being returned to the class.
- It is the student's responsibility to request academic accommodations. If you are a student with a documented disability who may require academic accommodation and have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre, please contact their office at 403-220-8237. Students who have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre are not eligible for formal academic accommodation. You are also required to discuss your needs with your instructor no later than fourteen (14) days after the start of this course.

Safewalk / Campus Security: 403-220-5333 Emergency Assembly Location – ICT Food Court *******

EAW/mi 2010-01-05