Department of Economics Course Outline



Term: Winter 2014

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Course: Economics 377 [Economics of the **Section:**

Environment]

Time: MWF 09:00-9:50 **Place:** ST139

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Hours:

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 made available on Blackboard.

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Dates	Topics	Chapters
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Jan. 8	Visions of the Future: Doomsayers versus Doom-slayers	1
Jan. 10-29	Basic Concepts:	2, 3, 4, 5
	Valuing the Environment: Concepts and Methods,	
	Property Rights, Externalities and Environmental Problems	8,
I 21 E.l. 14	Defining Sustainable Development.	
Jan.31-Feb. 14	Overview of Environmental Economics	6
Feb. 24	First Midterm Exam	
Feb. 26- Mar. 3	Air Pollution: Stationary Sources and Mobile Sources	7, 8
Mar. 5-10	Water and Water pollution	9
Mar. 12-17	Waste	10
Mar. 19-26	Biodiversity: Forest Habitat	11
Mar. 28	Second Midterm Exam	
Mar. 31-April 9	Biodiversity: Commercially Valuable Species	12
April 11	Visions of the Future Revisited	14
April 14	Review	

Grade Determination and Final Examination Details:

2 Midterm Examinations	40%
Assignments	25%
Final Examination	35%

There will be two assignments. One will be before the first midterm, and one will be between the two midterms.

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 apply:

A+	95 - 100	В	73 - 76	C-	60 - 62
A	85 - 94	B-	70 - 72	D+	56 - 59
A-	80 - 84	C+	67 - 69	D	50 - 55
B+	77 - 79	C	63 - 66	F	0 - 49

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.

All students must comply with the regulations published in the University Calendar concerning "Intellectual Honesty," "Examinations," etc.

Students who are unable to write the midterm because of an illness, family emergency or religious observance will have the midterm weight shifted to the final examination. Documentation MUST be provided.

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Society of Undergraduates in Economics (S.U.E.):

www.ucalgary.ca/sue

Society of Undergraduates in Economics is a student run organization whose main purpose is to assist undergraduate economics students succeed both academically and socially at the University of Calgary. Services include access to the exam bank, career partnerships with the

Career Centre through hosting industry nights and information sessions, recognizing achievements in teaching, and organizing social events for members. They invite you to join by contacting sue@ucalgary.ca.

Faculty of Arts Program Advising and Student Information Resources

- Have a question, but not sure where to start? The Faculty of Arts Program Information Centre (PIC) is your information resource for everything in Arts! Drop in at SS102, call them at 403-220-3580 or email them at artsads@ucalgary.ca. You can also visit the Faculty of Arts website at http://arts.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate which has detailed information on common academic concerns.
- For program planning and advice, contact the Student Success Centre (formerly the Undergraduate programs Office) at 403-220-5881 or visit them on the 3rd Floor of the Taylor Family Digital Library.
- For registration (add/drop/swap), paying fees and assistance with your Student Centre, contact Enrolment Services at 403-210-ROCK [7625] or visit them in the MacKimmie Library Block.
- Online writing resources are available at http://ucalgary.ca/ssc/writing-support/online-writing-resources

Notes:

- 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.
- Students seeking reappraisal of a piece of graded term work should discuss their work with the instructor *within fifteen days* of work being returned to class.

Safewalk / Campus Security: 403-220-5333 Emergency Assembly Point: Professional Faculties Food Court

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