

Department of Economics Course Outline

Term: Spring 2010

Course: Economics 377 **Section:** 20

[Economics of the Environment]

Time: TR 09:00 – 11:50 **Place:** ST 109

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Hours:

Textbook(s):

• Tom Tietenberg, Elizabeth Wilman, Peter Tracey, *Environmental Economics and Policy*, Addison Wesley, Canadian edition.

Book(s) on Reserve:

 Other materials pertinent to class discussions will be handed out in class, or made available on Blackboard.

Blackboard:

This course will make use of blackboard – students who are registered in the course can logon at http://blackboard.ucalgary.ca/webapps/login

Course Outline:

- I. Visions of the Future(Ch.1)
- II. Basic Concepts
 - Valuing the Environment: Concepts (Ch. 2)
 - Valuing the Environment: Methods (Ch. 3)
 - Property Rights, Externalities & Environmental Problems (Ch. 4)
 - Sustainable Development: Defining the Concept (Ch.5)

Midterm Exam

- III. Overview of Environmental Economics (Ch. 6)
- IV. Air Pollution (Ch. 7-8)

V. Water and water Pollution (Ch.9)

VI. Waste (Ch. 10)

VII. Biodiversity (Ch, 11-12)

VIII. Visions of the Future Revisited (Ch. 14)

Grade Determination and Final Examination Details:

Midterm 25% Term Paper 25% Assignments 25%

Final Examination 25% (Scheduled by Registrar)

A two hour final examination to be held in a classroom will be comprehensive and scheduled by the Registrar's Office.

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+	95 - 100	В	77 - 81	C-	61 - 65
A	90 - 94	B-	74 - 76	D+	57 - 60
A-	87 - 89	C+	71 - 73	D	51 - 56
B+	82 - 86	C	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.

Tests and exams will be short answer and essay. Content and organization will be the grading basis.

Specific instructions regarding the assignments will be discussed during the first two weeks of class.

Notes:

- Students seeking reappraisal of a piece of graded term work (term paper, essay, etc.) should discuss their work with the Instructor *within 7 days* of the work being returned to the class.
- Students are responsible for all material covered in the book, material passed out in class or presented in class lectures.
- Make-up examinations will not be allowed except in cases of extreme personal emergencies. This is only in cases of <u>necessary</u> absence and is at the discretion of the instructor. Exams will <u>not</u> be given <u>before</u> the indicated examination dates.
- It is 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 220-8237. Students who have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre are not eligible for formal academic accommodation. In the Department of Economics we recommend that all students enrolled in the Spring/Summer session, should discuss their needs with the instructor of the course no later than seven days after the start of this course.

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