Department of Economics Course Outline



Term: Winter 2013

Course: Economics 473 **Section:** 01

Water Resource Economics and Policy

Time: TR 11:00 – 12:15 (lecture) **Place:** SB 148 (subject to change)

R 12:30 – 13:20 (lab) SB 148 (subject to change)

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Hours:

Textbook(s):

Required: W. Douglass Shaw. 2005. Water Resource Economics and Policy: an

Introduction. Northampton, MA: Edward Elgar Publishing Inc. Paperback

edition. ISBN: 978 1 84720 225 3

<u>and</u>

Recommended: Bakker, Karen, editor. 2007. Eau Canada: the Future of Canada's Water.

Vancouver: UBC Press. Paperback edition. ISBN: 978 0 77481 340 2. [Available on-line via the library catalogue—HD1696 .C2 INTERNET]

Book(s) on Reserve:

A list of specific topics and required readings, including a list of Books on Reserve, will be provided in the first week of lectures.

Course Content:

The course will examine selected economic issues in water resource systems in Canada and other countries, including water quantity, water quality, ecosystem sustainability and water supply.

Grade Determination and Final Examination Details:

The final grade that each student receives will be based on the following weighting scheme:

Midterm Examination	25%
Term Paper	25%
Final Examination	35%
Lab Assignments, Participation and Exercises	15%
	100%

(a) Examinations

The midterm examination will be held in class on a date to be announced. The Final Examination will be scheduled by the Registrar and will last two hours. It will be a comprehensive examination of all material covered in the course. All examinations will be closed-book. Students will *not* be allowed the use of calculators or other aids during any examination.

Deferred examinations will not be given *except in the case of the Final Examination*, where this possibility is provided for in the university's Academic Regulations. Examinations will not be given *before* the indicated examination date. For further information see pages 39 and 43 of the 2012/2013 Calendar.

(b) <u>Term Paper</u>

Students are encouraged to choose a specific and well-defined topic of interest based on the course content and to prepare a relatively short and concise paper. The topic for the paper must be cleared with the Instructor no later than February 20, and the paper will be due on April 4. Additional information about requirements for the term paper will be provided to students during the first weeks of class.

(c) Scheduled Laboratory Sessions

This course has a scheduled lab session each Thursday that will be used for such activities as viewing films, hearing from guest speakers, class discussion, and so on. Some of these activities will involve short assignments, participation and exercises that will count towards your course score.

(d) Course Grades

A numerical score will be determined for each item of work submitted and a final (weighted) percentage score will be determined. A course letter grade will be assigned based upon the following conversion chart for final percentage scores:

A+	90 - 100	В	73 - 76	C-	60 - 62
A	85 - 89	В-	70 - 72	D+	57 - 59
A-	80 - 84	C+	67 - 69	D	50 - 56
B+	77 – 79	C	63 - 66	F	0 - 49

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

All submitted work must meet the university's standards for intellectual honesty. Plagiarism is a serious offence which will *not* be tolerated. Plagiarism includes paraphrasing, copying or misrepresenting someone else's work as your own, without full and scholarly attribution of the original sources. It is also not allowed to present work in one course that has already been submitted for credit in another course. Your attention is directed to the "Statement of Intellectual Honesty" in the *2012-2013 Calendar*.

Students seeking reappraisal of a piece of graded term work (including the midterm exam) should discuss their work with the instructor *within fifteen days* of it being returned to class. Re-graded work stands an equal chance of having a higher or lower score assigned. Any term work which is *not returned* during regular class time may be collected from the instructor during office hours.

(e) <u>Academic Accommodations</u>

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

(f) Blackboard Website

This course will make use of *Blackboard*. Students who are registered in the course can log on at *http://blackboard.ucalgary.ca/*

I welcome any comments you may have about the course during the term. When something is not clear during a lecture, do not hesitate to ask questions or to come see me during office hours.

Students' participation in this course, including the receipt and delivery of course material is regulated by provisions of Alberta's *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

In case of emergency evacuation of the classroom, SB148, the designated assembly point is the Food Court in the ICT Building.

Safewalk/Campus Security: 403-220-5333

Other Resources:

Office of the Student Ombudsperson

Robert Clegg, JD, LL.M Phone. 403-220-6420

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The 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.

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 in their new space on the third 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

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