



Department of Economics Course Outline

		Term:	Winter 2009
Course:	Economics 605 [Advanced Computational Optimization and Economic Applications]	Section:	01
Time:	TR 11:30-12:45	Place:	SS 423 (subject to change)
Instructor:	J. Carbone		
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Textbook(s):

There is no required textbook. Course readings will be based on journal articles and other materials distributed via Blackboard.

Book(s) on Reserve:

None

Course Outline:

A detailed course outline will be distributed the first day of class.

Grade Determination and Final Examination Details:

Grades will be based on homework assignments, a midterm exam and either a final research paper or final exam depending on the student's preference. Homework assignments will be based mostly on numerical modeling exercises.

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+	97-100	B	83-86	C-	70-72
A	93-96	B-	80-82	D+	67-70
A-	90-92	C+	77-80	D	60-66
B+	87-90	C	73-76	F	< 60

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 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.

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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.
- Requests for make-up examinations and deferred or early examinations will not be granted.

- Graded work will be returned during class meetings.
- 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 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.

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