Microeconomics II: Trade
Program in Economic Policy Management: U4613
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Preliminary Syllabus

Course Information

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Recitation: Tu 1:00-3:00 room 407 IAB


Additional Material: This course will follow primarily the textbook with additional readings. The additional readings are available as a course packet at CopyQuick at 1211 Amsterdam and in the Lehman library reserves.

Grading: There will be a midterm exam, a final and homework. They will count toward the grade as follows.

  Homework  30%
  Midterm    30%
  Final      40%

Exams: The midterm is tentatively scheduled for Thursday March 8th. The final is scheduled for May 10th and will cover all of the material in the course.

Note: The professor will not be able to make class on Thursday the 25th of January. We will switch the Recitation and Lecture that week. Thus you will have two lectures on Tuesday, the normal one at 9:00 and the second from 1:00 to 2:15. Recitation will be on Thursday at 9:00.
Outline and Readings

Basic Trade Models

The Ricardian and Specific–factors Models
- Required Reading: Krugman and Obstfeld (2000, Chapter 1, 2 and 3 and pp. 723–728)
- Further Reading: Huber (1971)

The Hecksher-Ohlin Model
- Required Reading: Krugman and Obstfeld (2000, Chapter 4, including appendix), Magee (1989), Wood (1997)
- Further Reading: Berman, Bound and Machin (1998)

Basic Trade Policy and Welfare Analysis
- Required Reading: Krugman and Obstfeld (2000, Chapter 8 and 9), Krueger (1974)

Import-Substituting Industrialization and the Strategy of Trade Policy

The Multifiber Arrangement and Other Voluntary Export Restraints
- Required Reading: Krugman and Obstfeld (2000, pp. 203–204 (VERs)), Feenstra (1992), Hill and Suhpachalasai (1992)

Natural Resource Booms in Open Economies
- Required Reading: Corden (1982), Gelb (1986), Tornell and Lane (1994)
References


