



Department of Economics Course Outline

		Term:	Fall 2006
Course:	Economics 355 [Canadian Public Finance]	Section:	01
Time:	TR 14:00 ? 15:15	Place:	ST 132 (subject to change)
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Required(s):

The Welfare State as Piggy Bank (2001): Nicholas Barr, Oxford University Press.

Book(s) on Reserve:

None.

Course Description:

This course provides a comprehensive overview of the institutions and economic rationale for Canadian government policy relating to public expenditures and taxation. Notions of efficiency and equity are developed and used to discuss policies such as unemployment insurance, public health insurance, education, and income taxation. The course is combined chapters in the textbook, and lecture notes. Current events on public policy are encouraged.