



Department of Economics Course Outline

	Term: Winter 2014
Course: Economics 475 [Economics of Natural Resources]	Section: 01
Time: MWF 12:00 - 12:50	Place: MS 527
Instructor: John R. Boyce	
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Textbook:

- The primary source material will be a set of lecture notes, available in PDF files on Blackboard.
- *Economics of Natural Resource Use* (2nd Ed.), J. M. Hartwick & N. D. Olewiler, Addison Wesley, 1998. **(Recommended an alternative source to my lecture notes)**

Course Description:

This course considers issues in natural resource economics, including the theory and practice of regulation of externalities, the theory and practice of renewable resource markets and regulation, and the theory and practice of non-renewable resource markets and regulation. Topics include the economics of land-use, externality regulation, common property problems, fishery economics, forestry economics, and economics of non-renewable resources.

Grade Determination and Final Examination Details:

Course Component	Date	% of Grade
Midterm Examination	Friday, Feb. 14	35%
Final Examination	Scheduled by the Extremely Slow Registrar	40%
Homework Assignment 1	Jan. 24 (Due Friday, 4pm, SS454)	5%
Homework Assignment 2	Feb. 7 (Due Friday, 4pm, SS454)	5%
Homework Assignment 3	Mar. 7 (Due Friday, 4pm, SS454)	5%
Homework Assignment 4	Mar. 21 (Due Friday, 4pm, SS454)	5%
Homework Assignment 5	Apr. 4 (Due Friday, 4pm, SS454)	5%
Total		100%

Examinations and homework assignments are marked on a numerical basis. Students missing a homework assignment or missing the midterm examination *for whatever reason* will have the weight of that assignment or midterm transferred to the final examination. No student, however, has ever passed the course with higher than a C grade by having 100% of the course weight on the final exam. The course grade is calculated using the weights indicated above.

The following letter grade equivalences will apply:

A+	99-100	B	80-84	C-	60-64
A	95-98	B-	75-79	D+	55-59
A-	90-94	C+	70-74	D	50-54
B+	85-89	C	65-69	F	< 50

Examinations

Non-programmable calculators are allowed during the writing of tests or final examinations.

There **WILL** be a Registrar scheduled comprehensive final examination.

Tests and exams will **NOT** involve multiple-choice questions.

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Society of Undergraduates in Economics (S.U.E.):

www.ucalgary.ca/sue

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 by contacting sue@ucalgary.ca.

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 on the 3rd 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>

Notes:

- 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.
- Students seeking reappraisal of a piece of graded term work should discuss their work with the instructor *within fifteen days* of work being returned to class.

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Emergency Assembly Point: Social Sciences Food Court
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