



Department of Economics Course Outline

		Term:	Spring and Summer 2009
Course:	Economics 599 [Issues in International Trade Policy]	Section:	30
Time:	Meetings scheduled as needed	Place:	SS 538
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Textbook:

William Kerr and James Gaisford, (eds.) (2007), *Handbook on International Trade Policy*, Edward Elgar (available on blackboard).

Books on Reserve and Course Resources:

There are no books on reserve for this course. The readings for the course will focus on the Kerr and Gaisford Handbook, but there may be a small number of additional readings posted on blackboard. It is also useful to have access to a good international trade textbook such as:

Paul Krugman and Maurice Obstfeld (2009) *International Economics: Theory and Policy*, eighth edition, Addison Wesley.

Blackboard:

Students registered in this course can log on at <http://blackboard.ucalgary.ca/webapps/login>.

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This course will build on the University of Calgary course on International Trade, Economics 425, and examine contemporary issues in international trade policy at an advanced undergraduate level.

Grade Determination and Final Examination Details:

All students must comply with the regulations published in the University Calendar concerning “Intellectual Honesty,” “Examinations,” etc. **STUDENTS MUST SUBMIT ALL READING SUMMARIES AND PASS BOTH THE DEPTH AND BREADTH TO PASS THE COURSE.** Students who satisfy these criteria will normally be evaluated in accordance with the marking scheme given below:

Breadth Component — 12 Reading Summaries	40%
Depth Component — Term Paper	<u>60%</u>
	100%

The University of Calgary grading system will be used:

A+	4.0	B	3.0	C-	1.7
A	4.0	B-	2.7	D+	1.3
A-	3.7	C+	2.3	D	1.0
B+	3.3	C	2.0	F	0.0

- Breadth Component — 12 Reading Summaries:** There will be 12 twelve 600 word reading summaries (approximately two double spaced pages). The readings will be based mainly on the 48 chapters in the Kerr and Gaisford Handbook. (The entire handbook will be covered.) The summaries should highlight the main themes and issues arising from the readings.
- Depth Component — Term Paper:** There will be a 5000 word term paper (approximately 15 double spaced pages) addressing a trade policy topic to be determined in consultation with the instructor. Topics will typically be chosen from an area of student interest in the readings.

Notes:

- Students seeking reappraisal of a piece of graded work should discuss this with the instructor within seven days of the work being returned. At the instructor’s prerogative, a remedial assignment for partial credit may be requested of students who have attempted a piece of work without achieving a passing grade.
- 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.

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