

Econ 340

Lecture 0

Course Information

Announcements

- Course time: 8:30 – 9:50 AM
 - Thus NOT “Michigan Time”
 - Reason: To give you time to get to your next class

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- Syllabus
 - Textbook: Gerber 6th ed. (OK to use 5th ed. Or earlier)
 - Readings:
 - Mostly from web
 - News
 - Exams: 2 midterms + final

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- Web site
 - Find it through
 - Ctools, or
 - Google “Deardorff”

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- My Office Hours:
 - Hours:
 - Mondays 10:15-11:00 AM
 - Wednesdays 3:00-4:00 PM
 - 3314 Weill Hall
 - Ford School of Public Policy (Corner of State and Hill)
- GSI Office Hours (Hyejin Rho)
 - Hours:
 - TBA
 - Office: TBA

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- Exam Information
 - Instructions for exams
 - Links to old exams
 - Results of exams

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- “Handouts” = Occasional extra materials, maybe (maybe none)
 - Graphs
 - Tables
 - Readings

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- News
 - How we’ll use
 - Weekly discussion
 - One news item assigned each week
 - Included on exams
 - Your responsibility: Keep up with international economic news
 - Subscriptions available online for
 - Wall Street Journal
 - Economist
 - Financial Times
 - Also see my link to “All”

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- Q&A
 - Feel free to e-mail me with questions
 - I will post questions and answers online (without your names)
 - Good idea to check these before exams

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- Questions on Readings
 - For each reading outside textbook:
 - Several questions – usually 3
 - These are guides to what I want you to learn
 - Exam questions on the readings will mostly come from these questions

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- Study Questions
 - Available for each lecture
 - Format is same as exams
 - Part multiple choice
 - Part short answer
 - Some exam questions will come directly from these. Others will be similar to them
 - Don't wait to use them!

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- Other items on course homepage:
 - Lecture slides, before & after
 - Curves from prior terms
 - Glossary of International Economics
 - Honors assignment
 - Questionnaire and results
 - Recent readings I recommend
 - Student comments from prior terms
 - Useful links

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Next Time

- Overview of the International Economy
 - “Globalization”
 - Elements of the World Economy
 - Ways that Countries Interact
 - Policies that Affect Others