Economics 4455 : 01
International Financial Economics
Fall 2002

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Class time: Tuesday, Thursday: 11.00 – 12.15 pm
Location: Bus. Conf.
Office hours: Tuesday, Thursday: 9.00 –11.00, 12.15 – 3.30 pm or by appointment

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Expected Learning Outcomes: This is a course International Finance and open economy macroeconomics. It will deal with exchange rates, BOP, trade financing, exchange rate determination, models and methods (from the classical to the present day target zone literature) fixed versus floating exchange rates, international financial markets and tools, FDI and exchange rate forecasting and the European monetary union. There will be class projects and case studies (many of them) on current topics of interest (and relevance) to our course. These cases will be provided to you by the instructor and have to be completed in class.

Learning outcomes: L02, L03, L07, L08, L010, L011, L013. *: A complete list of the learning outcomes (L0) can be found at the department web site(www.westga.edu/~econ/outcomes.html)

Course outline:
Chapter 1:
Chapter 2:
Chapter 3:
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Chapter 5:
Chapter 8:
Exams:

Exam 1:  Sept. 10, 2002:  25 points
Exam 2:  Oct. 1, 2002:  25 points
Exam 4:  Nov. 12, 2002:  25 points

Case studies:  Aug. 29, 2002:  10 points
Case studies:  Sept. 19, 2002:  10 points
Case studies:  Oct. 10, 2002:  10 points
Case studies:  Oct. 31, 2002:  10 points
Case studies:  Nov. 26, 2002:  10 points

Final Exam: Dec. 10, 2002  50 points (11.00 – 1.00 pm)

Comprehensive

Total:  200 points

There are absolutely no make up exams. Or quizzes. There is no alternative way to earn credit. You can call on me during office hours or just send me an e-mail.

Assessment Policy:

90 % and above:  A  180-200
80 – 89.9 %  B  160-179
70 – 79.9 %  C  140- 159
60 - 69.9 %  D  120-139
Below 140  F  119 and below

Note: I reserve the right to make alterations in the syllabus as and when I deem necessary. You will be notified of these changes in advance. Please shut off all cell phones and pagers before entering my class.