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Learning Objectives:

The overall objective of this course is for you to learn basic economic concepts, specifically
international trade/finance and open economy macroeconomics. To this end, upon completion, students
should:

Communicate effectively in oral presentations and writing, accomplished by extensive case studies in
class (LG1), apply basic quantitative skills to analyze exchange rate models, from the classical to the
modern (LG6)

Possess substantial knowledge of international economic concepts including exchange rates models,
international banking and financial system, along with the EURO (LG10) and apply knowledge of
economic concepts to strategies for addressing public policy issues (LG11) and also demonstrate an
ability to generate and interpret descriptive statistics, specifically in exchange rate forecasting (LG12).

Note: A complete list of expected learning goals (LG) for the Economics Department can be found at the
department web site (www.westga.edu/~econ/outcomes.html).

COURSE OUTLINE : CHAPTER : 1, 5 - 8, 10, 11, 13 – 19
**Exams:**

1) E 1: Feb. 7, 2011: 50 points
2) E 2: March 2, 2011: 50 points
3) E 3: April 6, 2011: 50 points
4) Finals: April 29, 2011: 100 points (11.00 – 1.00 PM)

**Case Studies:**

1) CS 1: Jan. 26, 2011: 10 points
2) CS 2: Feb. 21, 2011: 10 points
3) CS 3: March 21, 2011: 10 points
4) CS 4: April 4, 2011: 10 points
5) CS 5: April 20, 2011: 10 points

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Total: 300 points

The exams. are not comprehensive. The final is comprehensive and the outline will be discussed in class. They are a combination of theoretical (essay type) and numerical (number crunching) questions.

Case studies and outside reading material will be provided in class by the instructor. There are **ABSOLUTELY** no make-up exams or quizzes. There are no alternative ways to earn credits (class project / term papers etc.) Concentrate on the exams. You can call on me during the office hours and / or anytime by making an appointment.

Grades will be posted on Banweb, April 29, 2011, by 9.00 PM

**Assessment Policy:**

- 90 % and above: A 270 - 300
- 80 - 89.9 %: B 240 – 269
- 70 - 79.9 %: C 210 - 239
- 60 - 69.9 %: D 180 - 209
- Below 60%: F 179 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 switch off all cell phones and pagers before entering my class. No food or beverages allowed in class. I will strictly adhere to the university policies on discipline and plagiarism.