

Topics on International Trade and Finance

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The objective of this course is to familiarize undergraduate students with some modern topics in international trade and finance, connecting theory to empirical evidence and demonstrating the relevance of theory to real-world economic issues and policy questions.

Outline of topics:

1. Firms in the Global Economy: Export Decisions, Outsourcing, and Multinational Enterprises
2. The Instruments of Trade Policy
3. The Political Economy of Trade Policy
4. Trade Policy in Developing Countries
5. Controversies in Trade Policy Financial Globalization: Opportunity and Crisis
6. Optimum Currency Areas and the Euro
7. Developing Countries: Growth, Crisis, and Reform

Text Book:

Krugman, Obstfeld and Melitz, International Economics: Theory and Policy, 11th Edition

Feenstra and Taylor, International Economics, Third Edition

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Students need to take both exams.

Midterms: 20%

Homework and Participation: 30%

Term project: 50%