BOSTON COLLEGE
Department of Economics

EC 372: International Finance

Time: Tuesdays and Thursdays @ 9:00
Location: Campion 200
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Syllabus: Fall 2011

Course Description: This course is an introduction to the field of economics known as International Macroeconomics and Finance. It broadly deals with the monetary aspects of international economics. We will address a wide range of topics, including: foreign exchange rates, international capital movements, the benefits and costs of globalization, economic policy in an open economy, exchange rate regimes, and monetary union. We will naturally focus on the causes and consequence of financial crises, keeping an international perspective.

We will discuss real-world events, but it is important to remember that this is a course in economic theory. Problem sets and examinations will emphasize the application of theory learned in class to particular situations.

Textbook: “International Macroeconomics, 2nd Edition” by Feenstra and Taylor. We will cover the entire textbook, more or less in order.


Prerequisites: Intermediate macro (202, 204 or equivalent).

Requirements: A final exam (Dec. 16th, 60%), a midterm exam (Oct. 25th, 20%), weekly problem sets (15%), class participation (5%).