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Required Textbook: Either, Wilfred, Modern International Economics, 3rd. Ed., Norton, 1995.

Suggested Reading: Krugman, Paul, Pop Internationalism, MIT Press, 1996.

Tyson, Laura, Who's Bashing Whom?, 1993.

Course Requirements:

Participation		10% of the grade
Quizzes		10% of the grade
Exam 1	Monday, October 21	20% of the grade
Exam 2	Monday, November 25	20% of the grade
Final	Saturday, December 16	40% of the grade

NO make up exams will be given in this course. If you miss an exam for some legitimate reason (my discretion) then your remaining scores will be weighted more heavily. If school happens to be canceled (ex. snow day) on the day of a scheduled exam, the exam will be given on the next class meeting. Since the dates of the exams are known in advance, plan your travel arrangements accordingly. The final exam is comprehensive.

Problem sets will be given throughout the course. You do not have to hand the problem sets in. However, five quizzes will be given and they will be based on the problem sets. Quiz dates are listed in the course outline. As was the case with the exams, there will be NO makeups. Absence from a quiz will result in a grade of zero. You will however be allowed to drop your lowest quiz grade at the end of the semester. This should compensate for absences due to legitimate excuses on quiz days and also reward students who always attend. If school happens to be canceled (ex. snow day) on the day of the quiz, it will be given on the next class meeting.

Class participation will be graded by participation in class discussions on class material and International Trade issues.

Please be advised that cheating on any exam or quiz will not be tolerated and will result in an automatic failing grade for the class. This will be the minimum action taken. Please refer to the page on Academic Integrity taken from the BC Student Handbook.

COURSE OUTLINE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Reading</u>	<u>Main Topic</u>	<u>Quiz Dates</u>
September 4	Chapter 1	Comparative Advantage	---
9	---	---	---
11	Chapter 2	Economies of Scale	---
16	---	---	---
18	Chapter 3	Imperfect Competition	First Quiz
23	---	---	---
25	Chapter 4	International Equilibrium	---
30	---	---	---
October 2	Chapter 5	Factor Endowments	Second Quiz
7	---	---	---
9	Chapter 6	Explaining Trade	---
16	---	---	Third Quiz
21	---	FIRST EXAMINATION	---
23	---	---	---
28	Chapter 7	Tariffs and Trade Theory	---
30	---	---	---
November 4	Chapter 8	Why Nations Restrict Trade	---
6	---	---	Fourth Quiz
11	Chapter 9	How Nations Restrict Trade	---
13	---	---	---
18	Chapter 10	International Factor Movements	Fifth Quiz
20	---	---	---
25	---	SECOND EXAMINATION	---
December 2	Chapter 20	Economic Integration	---
4	---	---	---

<u>Date</u>	<u>Reading</u>	<u>Main Topic</u>	<u>Quiz Dates</u>
December 9	Chapter 21	The South and East in Transition	---
16	---	FINAL EXAMINATION	9 am