



## National Taiwan University of Science and Technology

### 2021 Winter Program

### ECON 212 Introduction to International Economics

### Course Outline

**Course Code:** ECON 212

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**Credit:** 4

**Course Description:**

This course addresses the main analytical concepts and theoretical debates surrounding the globalization of markets. While the course focuses on the economic dimension of globalization, it also touches upon its broader sociological and political implications. The following topics will be discussed: a historical account of the expansion of markets; basic trade economics models; factor market mobility; trade policy and trade liberalization; the globalization of financial markets; free trade agreements; and the role of the international organizations.

**Course Objectives:**

The course intends to empower students with theoretical underpinnings of globalization and help them develop a capacity to critically evaluate globalization from an economic perspective. Students will understand the nature of economic globalization and the forces that drive it, such as trade, labor mobility, technological flow and international capital flows. They will also learn about data sources to examine the direction, impact and magnitude of economic globalization

**Required Textbooks:**

International Economics, 7th Edition By James Gerber

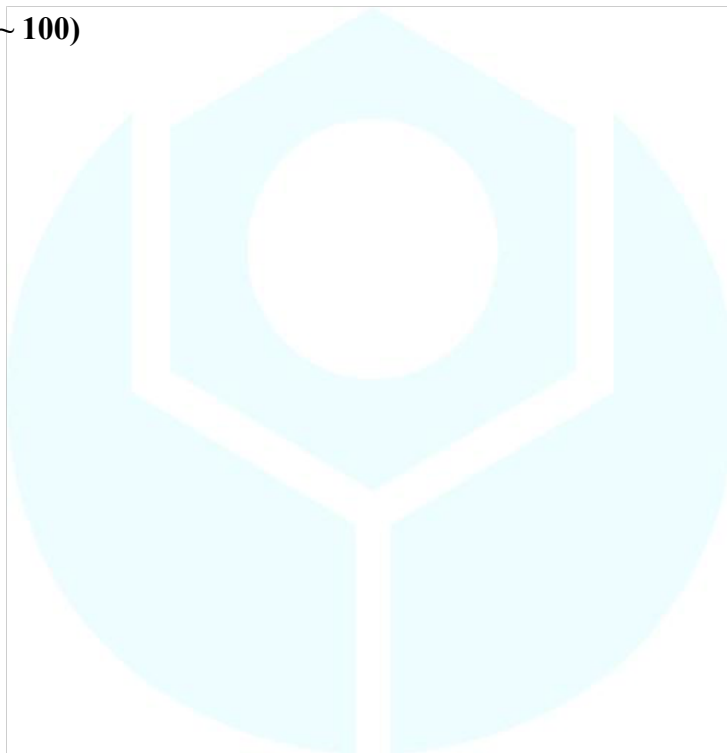


### Grading & Evaluation:

- **Exams:** There will be TWO midterm exams and ONE comprehensive final exam during the class time. Each midterm exam will make 25% of your grade. Midterm exams will NOT be cumulative. However, final exam will be cumulative and it will make 40% of your grade.
- **Attendance/Participation:** As a courtesy to your fellow students and me please be on time for class. If you arrive late, please come in quietly and settle quickly. Please turn off all cell phones during the lecture. Attendance and participation is rewarded. It will make 10% of your grade.

### Grading System (1 ~ 100)

A+:4.3	—	95-100
A :4.0	—	87-94
A -:3.7	—	82-86
B+:3.3	—	78-81
B :3.0	—	75-77
B -:2.7	—	71-74
C+:2.3	—	68-70
C :2.0	—	65-67
C -:1.7	—	61-64
D :1.0	—	55-60
E :0.0	—	49-54
X :0.0	—	0



### Course Schedule

#### Week 1

Introduction	Ch. 1
International Institutions	Ch. 2
Comparative Advantage and the Gains from Trade	Ch. 3



**Week 2**

Comparative Advantage and Factor Endowment Ch. 4

Trading When There Is No Comparative Advantage Ch. 5

Tariffs and Quotas Ch. 6

**Mid-Term Exam**

**Week 3**

Commercial Policy Ch. 7

Problems with International Trade Ch. 8

Balance of Payments Ch. 9

**Mid-Term Exam**

**Week4**

Exchange Rates Ch. 10

Financial Crisis Ch. 12

Current issues with the International Monetary and Financial System

**Final Exam**