

COURSE DETAILS

Econ 2550 Political Economy 2 Winter 2019

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Course Description

A study of the theories, institutions, policies and relations of power in national and global economic society with reference to economic growth, international trade and finance, economic fluctuations, inflation and unemployment. Particular attention will be given to the economic crisis of 2008 and its aftermath.

Required reading:

TEXT: David Kotz, *The Rise and Fall of Neoliberal Capitalism*, Harvard University Press, 2015.

Reader Custom Courseware Econ 2550, available in the U of M Book Store.

Expectations: I Expect You To

Lectures

You are under no obligation to come to class. I understand that some students might do just fine learning the material on their own. However, if you do not come to class, it is your responsibility to find someone in the class (not me) to fill you in on what you missed.

Remember that you are responsible for the lecture material. **Tests and exams will be based on lecture notes.** Some of this material is not covered in the textbook/reader.

Learning requires more than passive memorization. Lectures will often be in a question and answer format. Please participate in the class discussion. Please ask questions during class.

Lecture notes will not be posted online.

Grades will be computed as follows:

The grade total from three tests will be totaled and converted to a letter grade using the scale below:

TOTAL MARK	=	GRADE
90+	=	A+
80-89.5	=	A
74-79.5	=	B+
68-73.5	=	B
62-67.5	=	C+
55-61.5	=	C
45-54.5	=	D
Below 44.5	=	F

There will be two term tests worth 40 points each and the third worth 20 points. All tests are in the long essay format. Study questions will be provided one week in advance of each test.

Test one will be on **February 15**. Test two will be on **March 15**. Test three will be on the last day of class, **April 8**.

Students appealing any term work, whether it is informal or formal, must do so within 10 working days of receiving their mark.

Missed tests will only be accepted in the case of a VERIFIED medical of compassionate emergency. **Students who miss a term test will not write a make-up test.** The weight of the term test will be placed on the other exams.

Students must remain available until all examination obligations have been fulfilled.

Students will know the grade of their first test before the Voluntary Withdrawal date of March 20, 2019.

Class Schedule

This schedule is subject to change at the discretion of the instructor and/or based on the learning needs of the students but such changes are subject to Section 2.8 of the – [ROASS-Procedure](#)).

Topic and Readings	Reader TBA
Introduction	Kotz Chapter 1
The Social Structure of Accumulation What is Neoliberalism	Kotz, Chapter 2
The Rise of Neoliberal Capitalism	Kotz, Chapter 3
How Has Neoliberal Capitalism Worked?	Kotz, Chapter 4
Crisis	Kotz, Chapter 5
Lessons of History	Kotz, Chapter 6
Possible Future Paths	Kotz, Chapter 7

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Course Technology

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Academic Integrity:

Students should acquaint themselves with the University's policy on plagiarism and cheating and examination impersonation (see http://umanitoba.ca/student/resource/student_advocacy/cheating_plagiarism_fraud.html). In general, plagiarism is passing anyone else's work off as your own. If you are using a direct quote make sure it is in quotation marks and cited. If you are paraphrasing no direct quotes are necessary, but a citation is required.

Plagiarism or any other form of cheating in examinations, term tests or academic work is subject to serious academic penalty (e.g. suspension or expulsion from the faculty or university). Cheating in examinations or tests may take the form of copying from another student or bringing unauthorized materials into the exam room (e.g., crib notes, pagers or cell phones). Exam cheating can also include exam personation. (Please see Exam Personation, found in the Examination Regulations section of the General Academic Regulations). A student found guilty of contributing to cheating in examinations or term assignments is also subject to serious academic penalty.

Penalties for Academic Dishonesty

The common penalty in Arts for plagiarism on a written assignment is F on the paper and F (CW) (for Compulsory Withdrawal) for the course. For the most serious acts of plagiarism, such as the purchase of an essay and repeat violations, this penalty can also include suspension for a period of up to five years from registration in courses taught in a particular department in Arts or from all courses taught in this Faculty.

The Faculty also reserves the right to submit student work that is suspected of being plagiarized to Internet sites designed to detect plagiarism.

Students Accessibility Services

If you are a student with a disability, please contact SAS for academic accommodation supports and services such as note-taking, interpreting, assistive technology and exam accommodations. Students who have, or think they may have, a disability (e.g. mental illness, learning, medical, hearing, injury-related, visual) are invited to contact SAS to arrange a confidential consultation.

Student Accessibility Services <http://umanitoba.ca/student/saa/accessibility/>

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