Overview and Objectives

This course examines the basic models of international trade and finance, emphasizing both their theoretical foundations and their empirical relevance. It also includes applications of these models to some of the problems facing the world economy.

All readings below are required. Background readings will not be covered in lectures explicitly, but students are expected to read them on their own during the course.

Background Readings


Course Structure

1. Models of international trade in assets

Lecture notes 1.


2. Models of international trade in goods
Lecture notes 2.

3. Globalization, borders and the state

Required Activities
The course will be structured into 20 lectures. Problem sets will be handed out for practice. Students are encouraged to work in teams to solve these problem sets. There will be weekly TA sessions to review the material discussed in the lectures and to explain the solutions to the problem sets.

Evaluation
The course grade is based on a final exam.
Competences

☒ To (be able to) communicate with determination and in the English Language, the results and implications of the required analytical study using a language that the receiver can relate to.

☐ To work within a heterogeneous team of researchers as economic analyst using specific group techniques.

☐ To fit in diverse professional environments and varied types of collaborations in different professional projects

☒ To possess and understand the knowledge that provides a basis or opportunity to be original in the development and / or application of ideas, often in a research context.

☒ That students know how to apply the acquired knowledge and their ability to solve problems in new or unfamiliar environments within broader (or multidisciplinary) contexts related to their field of study.

☐ That the students be able to integrate knowledge and face the complexity of making judgments based on information that, being incomplete or limited, include reflections on the social and ethical responsibilities linked to the application of their knowledge and judgments.

☒ That the students be able to communicate their conclusions and the knowledge and the ultimate reasons that sustain them to both, specialized and non-specialized publics in a clear and unambiguous way.

☒ That students possess the learning skills that allow them to continue studying in a way that will be largely self-directed or autonomous.

☒ To identify and apply the insights of the theory, the models, and the analytical tools of modern economy to its global dimension.

☐ Understand and apply economic theory related to the regulation of markets and competition policy.

☒ Understand and apply the economics of international trade and finance and economic Development.

☐ To understand and apply the quantitative methods used to solve complex problems of the economy.

☒ To evaluate, with theoretical and quantitative instruments, the complex realities of the economy to understand the way it works.
Learning Outcomes

☑ Deep knowledge of the economics of international trade, finance and development.
☑ Applies economic concepts to economic pressure policy problems related to growth, economic stability and poverty.
☑ Analyze economic data rigorously