

**Economics 274-275: Third Year Original Paper and Presentation**  
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**Winter and Spring 2003**

Economics 274-275, the Third Year Original Paper and Presentation, is meant to help students begin their dissertation research. The course will meet periodically throughout Winter and Spring quarters as indicated below, in Winter on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12:30-1:50 in Econ 300, with the first meeting Tuesday, January 7; in Spring, *tentatively*, Mondays and Wednesdays from 11:00-12:20 in Econ 300, with the first meeting Wednesday, April 3.

The course has four requirements, with deadlines as follows. No incompletes will be given.

**A. Proposed topics:** Due Tuesday Jan. 15 (second week), 4 p.m. You must submit a proposed topic, described in enough detail (about one page) that we can evaluate it. Students should discuss their ideas with their interim supervisors beforehand, and then submit the proposal to both Professors Crawford and Flavin by email, preferably as text or pdf file. Those of you who already have a thesis essay or project close to completion are strongly urged to take this opportunity to begin progress on a second essay or project. If you would like to discuss this choice with us, please do so in the first week.

**B. 30-minute Winter preliminary presentations (sign-up up for a time slot in class Tuesday, January 7):**

Week 7 (only as needed), Tuesday and Thursday, Feb. 18 and 20

Week 8, Tuesday and Thursday, Feb. 25 and 27

Week 9, Tuesday and Thursday, March 4 and 6

Week 10, Tuesday and Thursday, March 11 and 13

**C. 40-minute Spring final presentations (sign-up up for a time slot in class Tuesday, January 7; days of the week as well as times tentative, but days are very unlikely to change):**

Week 5 (only as needed), Monday and Wednesday, April 28 and 30

Week 6, Monday and Wednesday, May 5 and 7

Week 7, Monday and Wednesday, May 12 and 14

Week 8, Monday and Wednesday, May 19 and 21

Week 9, Monday and Wednesday, May 26 and 28

Week 10, Monday and Wednesday, June 2 and 4

**D. Paper:** The paper is due Wednesday June 11 (tenth week), by 4 p.m. There is a 5% reduction in grade for every day the paper is late, including the weekend. The paper judged best by the faculty will receive the Heller Prize, and the author will be invited to present the paper to lead off next year's offering of Economics 272-273, Third Year Literature Review.