Syllabus

Econ 100CH Spring 2011 Prof. Forbes

Course Outline:

This course will cover the Nobel Prize Lectures of some of the recent winners of the prize. Many of the works we cover are closely related to - or even part of - the Econ 100C curriculum.

All students are required to study the assigned lectures. The Nobel Prize Committee makes videos of these lectures available at http://nobelprize.org/nobel_prizes/economics/video_lectures.html

We will study two of these lectures each week. (Each lecture is between 30-60 min long.)

Assignments:

Students are expected to come to class prepared with a set of three discussion questions and brief outlines of answers for each Prize lecture. You will be randomly selected to read one of your discussion questions and lead the discussion on it.

Topics:

Week 2	James Heckman and Daniel McFadden (2000)
Week 3	George Akerlof and Michael Spence (2001)
Week 4	Joseph Stiglitz (2001) and Daniel Kahnemann (2002)
Week 5	Robert Engle and Clive Granger (2003)
Week 6	Eric Maskin and Roger Myerson (2007)
Week 7	Elinor Ostrom and Oliver Williamson (2009)
Week 8	Paul Krugman (2008) and Peter Diamond (2010)
Week 9	Dale Mortensen and Christopher Pissarides (2010)

Grading:

Grading is based on in-class participation, including the prepared discussion questions.