

**ECON 120B -- SYLLABUS (SPRING 2014)**  
**Foster, UCSD, October 28, 2014**

Teaching Staff and Consultation Hours			
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Course Information

- Course Title: ECONOMETRICS B [nmax = 475]
- Lecture: A00 (806269) – MWF, 9-10 am, PRICE CENTER THEATER
- Problem/discussion section:  
A01 -- Th, 7-8 pm      A02 -- Th, 8-9 pm      CENTER HALL 101
- Description: Continuation of statistical inference (estimation and hypothesis testing); theory and use of correlation and regression analysis. Homeworks use STATA program.
- Prerequisites: Econ 120A, or Math 180A, 183, or 186, or ECE 109.

Books, Webpage, and Materials

- Wonnacott × 2, *Intro. Statistics for Bus. and Econ.*, 4<sup>th</sup> ed. [from Ec 120A]
- Stock & Watson, *Intro to Econometrics*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. (or Custom ed.), Pearson [bookstore]
- Course webpage: <http://ted.ucsd.edu>

Course Outline & Reading List		WW	SW
Top 8	HYPOTHESIS TESTING	Ch. 9	Ch. 1-2
Top 9	MULTIPLE POPULATIONS	Ch. 10	Ch. 3
Top 10	INTRO CORRELATION & REGRESSION	Ch. 11, 15	Ch. 4
Top 11	SIMPLE OLS REGRESSION	Ch. 12	Ch. 5
Top 12	MULTIPLE REGRESSION	Ch. 13-14	Ch. 6-7
Top 17	NONPARAMETRIC STATISTICS		

Calendar

- Change grade option or drop w/o “W” thru F, 25 APR; drop w/o “F” thru F, 30 MAY
- Holidays: Monday, 26 MAY (Memorial Day)
- Midterm: Friday, 9 MAY, in class
- Final: Wednesday, 11 JUN, 8-11 am, place to be announced

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<sup>1</sup> I will stay until 11 am if students are present.

Examinations and Grading

- Exams are open notes/closed book; calculator required. Bring stat tables (at TED).
- Midterm = 90 points; cumulative final = 300; graded homework = 10 (adjusted).
- No bathroom breaks during midterms. One at a time during finals; you leave your paper with a TA before leaving the room.
- Late homework penalty = 1/2 score. No papers accepted after answers posted, nor via e-mail.
- Regrade period for midterm and homeworks is 1 week after papers first returned in class.
- If you arrive late to an exam, I will allow you to take the exam in the time that remains *as long as no one has turned in an exam and left the room*. Once a paper has been turned in, you will get a zero if you arrive late.
- No rescheduled or make-up exams. You MUST take the final with the rest of the class on schedule during finals week. (Make travel/wedding plans accordingly, and if you are going to have too many finals on one day, drop one of the courses.) If you miss the midterm for a verifiable medical, legal or sports reason, your midterm grade will be your grade on the final. You must notify me promptly that you will miss the midterm or I will give you a zero. Unexcused absences also result in a zero.

About Cheating

1. There is a LOT of it at UCSD (9 cases on my Winter 2014 Ec 120C midterm, for example).
2. I hate it!
3. I routinely give multiple versions of tests. Only the TAs know which version you have.
4. If I suspect a violation of academic integrity, I withhold your score and/or grade and send your paper to AIC for resolution. AIC will contact you and tell you what to do.
5. If you are found guilty by AIC, they will impose penalties, and I will give you an F in the course.