

ECON 2901-B
2nd Term, 2021-2022
Guided Studies in Current Economic Problems I
Course Outline

Course Description: This course involves group consultations, classroom discussions and presentation of research projects. Students are expected not only to gain basic knowledge in the design of an appropriate research project but also to improve their public speaking and overall writing abilities.

Learning Outcomes: After taking this course, students should be able to carry out and present the findings of their own research project.

Course Info:

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| Office Hours | by appt |

Group Research Project

Students will form groups of 2 people for a research project (for special reasons, with the approval of the instructor, individual or 3-people projects will be allowed). Each group is expected to meet the course instructor for consultation by appointments. The consultation helps to prepare your project by providing suggestions on ideas, methodology, and/or data. You can email the instructor to set up a meeting time. At the end of the semester, students will give a 15-min in-class presentation and submit a final report. Students are required to produce a poster for the group project and present their work in a public exhibition at the end of April. Students are expected to explain their work to an audience with little or no formal economics training.

Course Evaluation

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| Consultation | 15% |
| Poster | 15% |
| Presentation | 20% |
| Report | 50% |

The due date and format of the final report will be announced later in the term. Late submission will be severely penalized.

Academic Honesty

Attention is drawn to University policy and regulations on honesty in academic work, and to the disciplinary guidelines and procedures applicable to breaches of such policy and regulations. Details may be found at <http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/policy/academichonesty/>.

With each assignment, students will be required to submit a signed [declaration](#) that they are aware of these policies, regulations, guidelines and procedures. For group projects, all students of the same group should be asked to sign on the declaration.

For assignments in the form of a computer-generated document that is principally text-based and submitted via VeriGuide, the statement, in the form of a receipt, will be issued by the system upon students' uploading of the soft copy of the assignment. Assignments without the receipt will not be graded by teachers. Only the final version of the assignment should be submitted via VeriGuide.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

| | Date | Time | Venue |
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| Introduction | 12 Jan (Wed) | 10:30am-11:15am | Wu Ho Man Yuen Bldg 502 |
| Consultation Period | 17 Jan – 20 Apr | Meetings by appt | ELB 922/online |
| Title and Presentation time | 23 Mar (Wed) | 5:00pm | By email |
| Presentation | 30 Mar (Wed) | 10:30am-12:15pm | Wu Ho Man Yuen Bldg 502 |
| Presentation | 13 Apr (Wed) | 10:30am-12:15pm | Wu Ho Man Yuen Bldg 502 |
| Presentation | 20 Apr (Wed) | 10:30am-12:15pm | Wu Ho Man Yuen Bldg 502 |
| Poster session | 25 Apr (Mon) | TBA | ELB lobby |