

ECON 4901 2023 Fall
Guided Studies in Current Economic Problems II
Session C: Mon 1430-1615 @ WFY105
Session F: Tue 1630-1815 @ WFY403

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Part I consists of 2 workshops on research methodology and data analysis. Part II consists of interactive consultations, classroom discussion, presentation, and write-up of the research projects. English is our language for teaching, discussions and presentation. The course aims at helping students improve their presentation and writing skills through working on a research project of their choice.

Part I: STOT Workshops on week 2 and week 3 (20%)

- (i) **Attendance [4 marks]:** the STOT workshops in **week 2 and week 3**.
- (ii) **Assignment [16 marks]:** the STOT-workshops assignments.

Part II: Research Project on week 1, weeks 4-13 (80%)

- (iii) **Attendance and class participation [15 marks]:** **Week 4** is Interactive group consultation and is mandatory. Everyone must come and actively engage in the interactions. **Week 13** is mandatory as well. You need to show up to present your work and actively discuss your classmates' works. It is a huge disrespect to other students if you show up late. I'll deduct your marks if you do. I'll ask you to grade the other students' presentations. During **weeks 5-12**, set up a one-on-one consultation with me at least twice at our classroom. You need to prepare the meeting well.
- (iv) **Presentation [25 marks]:** We will randomize the order of the presentations. No one knows who goes first. Each presentation will last for about 15 minutes. The Q&A happens during the presentations. Everyone must attend all the presentations and interact actively with other presenters during her own and others' presentations.
- (v) **Write-up [40 marks]:** The shorter the better. The deadline for the final paper is at **1700 on Dec, 15 2023 (Fri)**. Students are required to submit both a hardcopy and a softcopy (via VeriGuide). Late submission gets zero mark.

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.

Course Structure

Wk	Date (session C)	Date (session F)	Content	Location
1	Sep 4	Sep 5	Introduction	Wong Foo Yuan Bldg
2	Methodology workshop I Sep 14 (Thur) 1730-1915			LSK LT2
3	Methodology workshop II Cantonese Sep18(Mon) 1730-1915, English Sep21(Thu) 1730-1915			LSK LT4(18)/LT1(21)
3	Sep 25	Sep 26	Interactive Group Consultation	Wong Foo Yuan Bldg
5	Oct 2 No class	Oct 3	Individual Consultation	Wong Foo Yuan Bldg
6	Oct 9	Oct 10	Individual Consultation	Wong Foo Yuan Bldg
7	Oct 16	Oct 17	Individual Consultation	Wong Foo Yuan Bldg
8	Oct 23 No class	Oct 24	Individual Consultation	Wong Foo Yuan Bldg
9	Oct 30	Oct 31	Individual Consultation	Wong Foo Yuan Bldg
10	Nov 6	Nov 7	Individual Consultation	Wong Foo Yuan Bldg
11	Nov 13	Nov 14	Individual Consultation	Wong Foo Yuan Bldg
12	Nov 20	Nov 21	Individual Consultation	Wong Foo Yuan Bldg
13	Nov 27	Nov 28	Presentation and Discussion	TBA