

DEREE COLLEGE SYLLABUS FOR: EC 3536 ECONOMETRICS I

(Updated Spring 2021)

UK LEVEL: 5
UK CREDITS: 15
US CREDITS: 3/1/3**PREREQUISITES:**

EC 1000 Principles of Microeconomics
EC 1101 principles of Macroeconomics
MA 1008 College Algebra
MA 2105 Applied Calculus
MA 2021 Applied Statistics

CATALOG DESCRIPTION:

Data categories, databases, applications of descriptive and inferential statistics in economics. Model building and use in economics. Model estimation.

RATIONALE:

This is the first of two courses in Econometrics. This course develops students' ability to quantify and evaluate economic theories using empirical examples. The course focuses on economic intuition and practical applications of several econometric methods that are widely employed in research in various fields in economics. Thus, the course combines theory and practice in an effort to provide students with the necessary tools and knowledge to apply to real-world situations.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

After taking this course, students should be able to:

1. Draw inferences from the properties of data.
2. Estimate the regression model, apply diagnostic tests and test hypotheses regarding the estimated parameters.
3. Demonstrate knowledge of univariate and multivariate modelling methodologies and use them for forecasting purposes.
4. Explain the concept of cointegration and error-correction mechanism, interpret the results of cointegration tests and estimate error-correction models.
5. Estimate autoregressive conditional heteroskedastic (ARCH) specifications and some of its variants.

METHOD OF TEACHING AND LEARNING:

In congruence with the teaching and learning strategy of the college, the following tools are used:

- In-class exercises and examples to illustrate basic concepts.
- In-class discussion of journal articles in order to expand exposure on course content beyond the textbook and generate discussion.
- Laboratory practice sessions.
- Office Hours: Students are encouraged to make full use of the office hours of their instructor, where they can ask questions and go over lecture material.
- Use of Blackboard learning platform, where instructors post lecture notes, assignment instruction, timely announcements, as well as additional resources.
- Use of the Simulated Trading Room for data collection and analysis.

ASSESSMENT:	<p>Summative:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="678 170 1422 300"> <tr> <td>1st assessment: Three assignments of equal weight each (600 – 800 words each)</td><td>60%</td></tr> <tr> <td>Final assessment: In-class written examination (Two-hour, closed book)</td><td>40%</td></tr> </table> <p>Formative:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="678 363 1422 430"> <tr> <td>Practice problem sets</td><td>0%</td></tr> <tr> <td>Journal Articles</td><td>0%</td></tr> </table> <p>The three assignments test Learning Outcomes 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5.</p> <p>The final assessment tests Learning Outcomes 1, 2, 3, and 4.</p> <p>The formative assignments prepare students for the examinations and ensure that students are actively engaged during the term.</p> <p>Both summative and formative assignments make use of statistical software (e.g. Eviews, STATA).</p> <p>The final grade for this module will be determined by averaging all summative assessment grades, based on the predetermined weights for each assessment. If students pass the comprehensive assessment that tests all Learning Outcomes for this module and the average grade for the module is 40 or higher, students are not required to resit any failed assessments.</p>	1 st assessment: Three assignments of equal weight each (600 – 800 words each)	60%	Final assessment: In-class written examination (Two-hour, closed book)	40%	Practice problem sets	0%	Journal Articles	0%
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INDICATIVE READING:	<p>REQUIRED READING:</p> <p>Wooldridge, J., Introductory Econometrics: A modern Approach, latest edition.</p> <p>Other library sources, including journal articles accessible through the Library, as assigned by the instructor.</p> <p>RECOMMENDED READING:</p> <p>Brooks, C. (2019). Introductory Econometrics for Finance. Cambridge. Cambridge University Press, 4th edition.</p> <p>Stock, J. & Watson, M. (2019). Introduction to Econometrics. 4th Edition. Pearson.</p>								
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COMMUNICATION REQUIREMENTS:	Use of appropriate academic conventions as applicable in oral and written communications.								
SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS:	Excel, Word, financial databases, econometric software (e.g. Eviews, STATA)								
WWW RESOURCES:	www.ft.com www.bloomberg.com www.finance.yahoo.com								
INDICATIVE CONTENT:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Data analysis and Descriptive Statistics 2. Statistical Inference 3. Multiple regression and assumptions violations 								

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">4. Cross-sectional analysis5. Univariate Time Series Modelling5. Multivariate modelling techniques6. Stationarity, cointegration and causality relationships7. Volatility and correlation modelling
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