

Economics of Policy Issues

EC3060

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Timetable and Presentations

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Timetable

Economics of Policy Issues (EC3060) Timetable MT 2016					
Week Starting	Week	Lecture 1	Lecture 2	Tutorial 1	Tutorial 2
		Wed 11am	Thurs 4pm	Tuesday at 10	Friday at 10 (Gold 2a)
26-Sep	Week 1	Lecture 1	Lecture 2		
03-Oct	Week 2	Lecture 3	Lecture 4		
10-Oct	Week 3	Lecture 5	Lecture 6		
17-Oct	Week 4	Lecture 7	Lecture 8	Policy Paper (2041a)	Policy Paper
24-Oct	Week 5	Lecture 9	Lecture 10	Group Preparation (2041a)	Group Preparation
31-Oct	Week 6	Lecture 11	Lecture 12	Debate (2041a)	Debate
07-Nov	Week 7	<i>Reading Week</i>			
14-Nov	Week 8	Lecture 13	Lecture 14	<i>Exam Saturday Nov 19th, 12 noon, Exam Hall</i>	
21-Nov	Week 9	Lecture 15	Lecture 16		
28-Nov	Week 10	Lecture 17	Lecture 18		
05-Dec	Week 11	Lecture 19	Lecture 20	Presentations (5039)	Presentations
12-Dec	Week 12	Lecture 21	Lecture 22	Presentations (5039)	Presentations



Tutorials

- **Tutorial 1:** Tuesday at 10am (2041a and then 5039)
- **Tutorial 2:** Friday at 10am (Goldsmith Hall 2a)
 - You should be able to make both of these times. **If for any reason you can not make one please email me this week.** Only academic related reasons are accepted.
 - I will then assign everyone into one tutorial.



Coursework: Option 1

- 66 registered for class
 - 33 in each tutorial
- Base course work is group presentation on Irish policy topic – most students will do this.
 - This involves groups of 4 preparing a 15 minute presentation on for example:
 - Transport options for Dublin
 - Solving the homeless crisis in Dublin
 - Options for health care reform in Ireland
- Presentations take place in Weeks 11 and 12.
- Policy paper then due in January.



Coursework: Option 2

- In each tutorial in Week 6 a US Presidential debate will take place solely focused on the economic policies of the candidates.
- There will be nine roles in each debate as follows (time to speak in parentheses).
 - H. Clinton, Democratic (5 minutes)
 - D. Trump, Republican (5 minutes)
 - T. Kaine, Democratic (5 minutes)
 - M. Pence, Republican (5 minutes)
 - G. Johnson, Libertarian (5 minutes)
 - J. Stein, Green Party (5 minutes)
 - Moderator/Time Keeper/Event Manager (in charge of venue)/Pre and Post debate Pollster/ (10 Minutes of Q and A)
 - Panelist 1: Paul Ryan (5 minutes)
 - Panelist 2: Bernie Sanders (5 minutes)
- Reward for accurately portraying economic policy positions with detail and well structured extensive research needed.
- The 18 students involved in the debates will still have to prepare Policy Analysis Papers for January and are encouraged to pick one of the topics assigned to the other students. If you want to pick a US topic that can be approved.



Pros of the Options

- Option 1 Pros
 - More lead in time to presentation.
 - Get to do policy paper on presentation on same topic as policy presentation
 - Perhaps better if you have little interest in US politics.
- Option 2 Pros
 - Get presentation out of the way earlier.
 - Option to do presentation on US topic.
 - If you have an interest in US politics you will enjoy it.
 - Might be a bit of fun.
- How will we decide who does which option?
 - Everyone starts doing option 1.
 - I need 18 volunteers to take on option 2.

