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## 2011 SUMMER SESSION

## ECO 364H1F - INTERNATIONAL TRADE THEORY

## **COURSE OUTLINE AND READING ASSIGNMENTS**

(AFC = Appleyard, Field and Cobb textbook)

- 1. The Basis for and the Pattern of International Trade
  - (a) Technology and the Classical Model
    - Mercantilism and the Early Classical Challenge: AFC, chap.2
    - Ricardo and the Theory of Comparative Advantage: AFC, chaps.3, 4(42-50, 52)
    - (b) <u>Analytical Tools</u> Indifference Curves and the Production Possibility Curve: AFC, chap.5 General Equilibrium and Offer Curves: AFC, chaps. 6(88-90), 7(104-9, 114-8, 123-3)
    - (c) <u>Factor Endowments and the Heckscher-Ohlin Model</u>:
    - AFC, chap.8(126-35)
    - (d) The Leontief Paradox and Alternative Bases for Trade:
      - AFC, chaps.6(95-8), 8(140-2), 9(154-60), 10(176-81, 193-7, 199-200)
      - P.T. Ellsworth & J.C. Leith, <u>The International Economy</u> (5th ed., 1975) pp.107-8, 113-123, 181-4
      - H.G. Grubel, International Economics (1977) pp. 71-83
- 2. <u>The Effects of International Trade</u>
  - (a) <u>Trade and Income Distribution in the short run and in the long run</u>:
    - AFC, chap.8(135-9, 147-9)
  - (b) <u>Trade and Aggregate Welfare</u>: AFC, chap.6(90-95)
  - (c) <u>The Gains from Trade in the Presence of Market Imperfections</u>: See Lecture Summary Part 2(c)
- 3. Economic Growth and International Trade

AFC, chap.11

- 4. The Theory of Commercial Policy
  - (a) Tariff Theory:
    - AFC, chaps.13,14(281-4,288-97)
    - P.R. Krugman & M. Obstfeld, International Economics: Theory and Policy (6<sup>th</sup> ed., 2003) pp. 192-198, 223-4
  - (b) <u>Other Trade Barriers</u>: AFC chaps.13(260-4),14(285-6) M. Chacholiades, <u>Principles of International Economics</u> (1980) - pp. 233-4 Krugman & Obstfeld - pp. 200-3, 214-7

     (c) Free Trade Areas and Customs Unions:
  - (c) <u>Free Trade Areas and Customs Unions</u>: AFC, chap.17(393-400)