UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO Department of Economics

ECO429Y: Summer, 2013 History of Economic Thought

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Textbooks:

Adam Smith, *The Wealth of Nations* David, Ricardo, *Principles of Political Economy* Karl, Marx, *Capital (Oxford: Abridged Edition, 2008)* Marshall, Alfred, *Principles of Economics* (Prometheus Books, New York, 1997) Keynes, John Maynard. *General Theory of Employment, Interest, and Money*

<u>Secondary Sources:</u> Hollander, Samuel. *Classical Economics*. Blaug, Mark *Economic Theory in Retrospect*, 2000 Deanne, Phyllis. *The Evolution of Economic Ideas*, 1978

Dobbs, Morris. *Theories of Value and Distribution since Adam Smith*, 1973 Gram, H. and V. Walsh. *Classical and Neoclassical Theories of General Equilibrium*, 1980 Schumpeter, Joseph. *History of Economic Analysis* Cambridge, 1954

Evaluation 1 Page Class Presentation		First Term)	4%
	Seminar Participation (First Term)		6%
	1 Page Class Presentation (Second Term) Seminar Participation (Second Term)		4%
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	15 page essay due	July 29	25%
	Midterm Exam (2 hours)	June 19 (1:10 – 4:00PM)	20%
	Final Exam (3 hours)	Final Exam Period	35%

The midterm and final exams are a combination of short-answer and essay type questions with some choice in questions answered. Students who miss the midterm exam due to a documented absence (e.g., doctor's note) must write the make-up exam, which will occur 2 weeks later. Please note that there is no choice on the make-up exam.

The 15 page essay (i.e., 15 double space pages with normal margins and 12 point type, not including bibliography) will analyze primary and secondary sources specified by me on an aspect of the theories of one of the authors discussed in the course. I will only accept late essays during lectures and there are no extensions. The penalty for lateness is 2% on July 31, 7% on August 7, and 12% on August 12.. Late ssays are not eligible for remarking. All students must hand in two copies of the essay. You must also be prepared to give me a digital copy for submission to Turnitin upon my request.

Presentation marks are given for a 1 page presentation (12 point, double-spaced, normal margins given to me before the presentation or there is a 1 mark deduction off the top) on designated pages from an author during one seminar period for a potential 4 marks and **the right to get one participation mark for a comment or question per seminar** (which take place between 1:10 and 2:00 PM in the classroom prior to the lecture) up to a maximum of 6 marks for six seminars. Students will sign up for their presentation day per term in the first class of each

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term. If you miss your presentation, you must provide documentation of a legitimate reason, submit your original presentation, and do a replacement presentation that I will assign.

Lecture and Reading Schedule

May	13	Introduction and the Greeks: Aristotle Politics, Book I and II; Ethics, Book V
May	15	T. Mun, England's Treasure, Ch. II-XX; W. Petty, A Treatise of Taxes, Ch. III-V
May	22	Physiocrats: Francois Quesnay, Tableau Économique, and A.R.J. Turgot, Reflections.
May.	27	Adam Smith: Division of Labour and Value. Wealth of Nations, Book I, Ch. 1-5.
May	29	Smith: Price, Distribution, and Growth. Wealth of Nations, Book I, Ch. 6-9
June	3	Malthus: An Essay on the Principle of Population, Ch. 1 - II
June	5	David Ricardo: Value and Price . Principles, Vol. I, Ch. 1, Sections I - VII
June	10	Ricardo: Rent and Growth. Principles, Ch. 6, 7, 21, 26, 30, 31
June	12	Karl Marx: C + V + S. Capital (v.1), Ch. VI-IX
June	17	Marx: Absolute and Relative Surplus Value. Capital (v.1), Ch. XII, XVI-XVIII
June	19	Mid-term Exam
July	3	Marx: Capitalist Accumulation. Capital (v.1), Ch. XXV, Sections 1-4
July	8	W.S. Jevons: Marginal Utility and Value. Theory of Political Economy, Chs. I-IV
July	10	Carl Menger: Marginal Utility and Value. Principles of Economics, Chs. III-IV
July	15	Leon Walras: General Equilibrium. Elements of Pure Economics, Lessons 5-10
July	17	Alfred Marshall: Utility and Demand. Principles, Book III, Chapters 1-4, 6
July	22	Alfred Marshall: Factor Prices and Supply. Principles, Book V, Chapters I - III
July	24	Eugene Bohm-Bawerk (Positive Theory of Interest) and Irving Fisher (The Rate of
		Interest): Capital and Interest
July	29	J.M. Keynes: Classical Critique, General Theory, Chapters 2, 3, 7-10
July	31	J.M. Keynes: The General Theory, General Theory, Chapters 11-14, 18
August	7	Milton Friedman: Permanent Income, Phillips Curve, "Nobel Lecture", JPE (June, 1977)
August	12	Milton Friedman: Monetarism. "The Role of Monetary Policy", AER (1968), 1 - 17

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Seminar Schedule:

May	22	Aristotle. Politics, Book I and II, Nichomachean Ethics, Book V.
May.	27	T. Mun, England's Treasure, Ch. II-X; W. Petty, A Treatise of Taxes, Ch. III-V
May	29	Francois Quesnay, Tableau Économique; A.R.J. Turgot, Reflections, Points 1-34
June	3	Adam Smith,: Division of Labour: Wealth of Nations, Book I, Introduction, Ch. I-IV
June	5	Adam Smith: Value. Wealth of Nations, Book I, Ch. V-VII
June	10	Malthus: An Essay on the Principle of Population, Preface, Ch. 1 - II
June	12	David Ricardo: Labour Value. Principles, Chapter I, Sections I - VII
June	17	David Ricardo: Wages, etc Principles, Chapter II - V
July	3	Karl Marx: Degree of Exploitation. Capital (V.1), Ch. VIII - IX
July	8	Karl Marx: Reserve Army. Capital (V.1), Ch. XXV- XXVII
July	10	Jevons: Chapter III, 36-61
July	15	Menger: Chapter III, 115-141
July	17	Walras. Lesson 10: 143 – 149; Lesson 40: 419-428
July	22	Marshall. Demand: Book III, Ch. III. Elasticity: Book III, Ch. IV.
July	24	Marshall. Supply: Book V, Ch. III. Cost: Book V, Ch. IV
July	29	Bohm-Bawerk: II, 17-23: V, 273 – 281 and Fisher: V: 61-63; 99 - 124
July	31	Keynes: Ch. 2, 4 – 22; Ch. 7, 74-85
August	7	Keynes: Ch. 14, 175 – 185; Ch. 18, 245 - 254
August	12	Friedman: "Nobel Lecture", JPE (June, 1977), 451-72
		Friedman: "The Role of Monetary Policy", AER (1968), 1 – 17