

SYLLABUS FOR ECONOMICS 9940
WORKSHOP IN EXPERIMENTAL ECONOMICS
PROFESSOR JAMES C. COX

Econ 9940 is a field workshop in experimental research. This workshop is intended to:

- Support dissertation research by PhD students
- Encourage PhD students to work and interact with several faculty members on a continuing basis
- Integrate research seminar presentations in experimental economics by resident faculty and visiting scholars into the PhD field research experience
- Provide an institutionalized venue for weekly interaction among PhD students, resident faculty, and visiting scholars working on experimental research
- Prepare Ph.D. students to write and submit research papers for professional journal review

Prerequisite

The prerequisite for this workshop is Econ 9340 or permission of the instructor.

Workshop Requirements

Regular attendance and active participation in discussions of ongoing research is required. Presentation of one's own ongoing research is required. A completed research working paper by the end of the semester is required. Interaction with visiting scholars is required.

Course Grades

100% of the course grade will be based on the student's research paper. This paper is due on the on the last class day of the semester.

Workshop Scheduling

The workshop will meet twice per week. One meeting each week will be devoted to seminar presentations by resident faculty, visiting faculty, and graduate students. The second meeting each week will be devoted to discussion of published research articles and working papers and meetings in the lab for development work on experimental designs and protocols.

The workshop will meet on Mondays and Wednesdays, 12:00 – 1:15 p.m. The regular classroom is room 417 of the AYSPS Building.

Office Hours and Contact Information

The instructor's office is room 456 of the AYSPS building, 14 Marietta Street. His office hours are 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesday and other times by appointment made in class or by sending e-mail to jccox@gsu.edu.

Course Readings

Course readings will consist entirely of professional research articles. These articles will be selected from the Econ 9940 Reading List and from articles chosen by resident faculty, visiting faculty, and (with Prof. Cox's approval) by participating students.

Learning Outcomes

By the end of the semester, a student:

1. should have made substantial progress on an experimental economics dissertation research project; and
2. should have learned how to make written presentations of his/her research project in a form appropriate for submission to professional journals.