Periodic course evaluation for ECON1410

Course name: International Economics

Semester: Spring 2019

Lecturer: Gry Østenstad

Course description: Available at

https://www.uio.no/studier/emner/sv/oekonomi/ECON1410/

Syllabus

The course syllabus covers chapters 1-12 of the following textbook: Krugman, P., Obstfeld, M., and Melitz, M. *International Economics: theory and policy*, 2015. Harlow: Pearson. ISBN: 9781292214870, 11. Edition.

The student evaluation shows that most students were satisfied with the content and scope of the syllabus. Some students answered that that the course syllabus is demanding.

Lectures

14 two-hour lectures.

The lectures closely followed the course syllabus.

The student evaluation shows that most students were satisfied with the quality of the lectures. The students describe the lectures as well structured and well organized, and the lecturer as well prepared.

Some students suggest that the course should be offered in Norwegian, as most students speak Norwegian.

The students appreciate that all lectures were recorded, but complain that the quality of the sound was low.

Seminars

10 two-hour seminars in groups.

In the seminars, the seminar teachers assist the students in solving exam relevant problems. The seminars allow for more interaction between teacher and students than the lectures, as the seminars are given in smaller groups.

Term paper

The compulsory assignment was to write a term paper about 2 out of 9 given topics. The topics covered current events in international economics.

The student evaluation shows that the students were satisfied with the content and scope of the compulsory assignment.

Exam

The exam is a 3-hour written school exam.

The distribution of grades is illustrated below.

