

Econ 311
The Economy of Hawaii
Fall, 2003

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Course Description: This course examines the history, structure and performance of Hawaii's economy in detail and examines selected policy issues.

Texts:

- (1) You are also expected to purchase a xerox copy of non-copyrighted readings for the course from EMA Campus Copy, located on the ground floor of the Campus Center Bldg.
- (2) There will be additional materials/readings handed out in class.
- (3) Chris Grandy, Hawaii Becalmed (Hon.: UH Press, 2002) required

Assignments: You are expected to read all the required readings, attend all lectures (roll will be taken each day), and participate in class discussions. Other assignments include:

(1) Research Projects: You are expected to write two short papers of about 5 pages in length. The entire class will work on the same topics although each one of you will be submitting separate papers. Each paper will focus on some contemporary policy issue, such as Should Hawaii's Generous High Technology Tax Credit Be Tightened to Reduce Abuse?

(2) Other homework assignments. (a) In addition to the term paper, there will be other assignments. These will primarily focus on lectures, readings, class assignments and discussions. All writing assignments must be typed or word processed. No hand-written assignments will be accepted.

(4) Exams: There will be a mid-term and a final exam. Exams are essay variety. The final exam is **not** cumulative.

Grading: Short papers (25%); weekly homework assignments (25%); the mid-term and final exams will each comprise 25% of the semester grade. Attendance will be taken each day and will make a difference in the final grades for those on the border-line.

Please be advised that late assignments will not be accepted. Assignments are due during the class period--not, midnight!

Final Exam Date: Tuesday, December 16 at 9:45 a.m.