Economics 362 – Fall 2011
Trade Policy and Globalization
(Contemporary Ethical Issues and Writing Intensive designated course)
TTR 10:30-11:15
(St. John Plant Sciences Lab #15)

Course website is on laulima.hawaii.edu for registered students. If you do not have access to the course’s laulima site, please contact me.
Syllabus is also available at: http://www2.hawaii.edu/~noy/362.html

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Course Learning Objectives
The class is an in-depth exploration of the current state of globalization with a focus on world trade. We begin by examining the current magnitudes and past history of world trade, the development of the institutions of trade, and insights into the economic rationale for the international exchange of goods and services.

The second part of the course will investigate several current debates surrounding trade-related issues such as: trade and the environment, trade and child labor, trade and poverty, trade and labor standards, trade in cultural goods, and trade and intellectual property.

Contemporary ethical issues are fully integrated into the main course material. Through the use of lectures, discussions and assignments, we will develop basic competency in recognizing and analyzing ethical issues. We aim to foster critical thinking and an ability to apply economic reasoning using factual details to policy problems and ethical challenges related to trade. We also develop the expertise needed to effectively communicate conclusions in writing assignments and in an oral presentation.

Required Readings
- In Defense of Globalization by Jagdish Bhagwati
- No Logo by Naomi Klein
- The Travels of a T-Shirt in the Global Economy by Pietra Rivoli
- Making Globalization Work by Joseph Stiglitz
Additional optional books
- Misadventures of the Most Favored Nations by Paul Blustein
- Global Trade by Greg Buckman
- Bound Together by Nayan Chanda
- World On Fire by Amy Chua
- Globalization and Its Enemies by Daniel Cohen
- Free Trade Doesn’t Work by Ian Fletcher
- The Lexus and the Olive Tree by Thomas Friedman
- Free Trade Under Fire by Douglas Irwin
- One World by Peter Singer
- Globalization: A Very Short Introduction by Manfred Steger
- Fair Trade For All by Joseph Stiglitz and Andrew Charlton
- Whose Trade Organization? by Lori Wallach, Patrick Woodall, and Ralph Nader
- Why Globalization Works by Martin Wolf

Grade
Short writing assignments covering the readings 20%
Midterm exam paper 20%
Presentation 20%
Final exam paper 20%
Attendance and participation 20%
Grades awarded will include +/- notation

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As part of the grading of your writing assignments, you may be asked to submit your work to turnitin.com or a similar web-based service. Registration implies your agreement to such monitoring of academic honesty.

Extra readings
There are many other sources available both online and offline. You should also consult other sources when preparing presentations or writing assignments.

Attendance
I expect that students will attend ALL classes and participate in class discussions. Students who miss more than THREE classes without pre-approval will have their attendance/participation grade marked down by 2 percentage points for each additional class missed. Please see me to discuss any extended absences.

Disability needs
If you feel you need reasonable accommodations because of the impact of a disability, please: (1) contact the KOKUA program at 956-7511 or rm. 013 at QLCSS; and (2) discuss with me any specific needs related to your KOKUA documented disability.