

# Sonoma State University

Spring 2012  
Economics 317

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<b>Course</b>	Introduction to Econometrics	<b>Instructor</b>	Dr. Steven S. Cuellar
<b>Meetings</b>	Monday & Wednesday	<b>Office Hrs.</b>	MW 2- 4 pm
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## Course Content

**Optional Text** Jeffrey Wooldridge, *Introductory Econometrics: A Modern Approach*, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, Cengage.

**Required Text** Lawrence C. Hamilton, *Statistics with Stata (Updated for Version 11)*, Brooks/Cole.

Examinations	Chapters Covered	Topics Covered
Examination I	1-5	Introduction, The Simple Regression Model
Examination II	6-9	Multiple Regression: Model Building, Non-linear Regression, Dummy and Interaction Variables.
Examination III	8-14	Heteroskedasticity, Multicollinearity, Outliers and Specification problems.

**Final Exam Date** The **Examination III** is scheduled during Final Examination week on Monday, May 7 11-12:50 p.m.

**Homework** Homework and quizzes will be given weekly and will be worth a total of 100 points. There will be no make-up of quizzes or examinations and **late homework will be penalized 50% for every class meeting after the due date.**

**Final Grade** There are 400 total points possible in the course. Grades are distributed as follows:

Grade	Points
A	360-400
B	320-359
C	280-319
D	240-279
F	239 and below

**Attendance** Regular class attendance is important directly because home work, quizzes and class participation will count toward your grade, and indirectly in that class lectures will contain material that you will be responsible for, but that may not be covered in the text. Thus it is **highly recommended** that you attend class on a regular basis.

**Academic Dishonesty** Students are encouraged to work together, however, academic dishonesty will not be tolerated. Students who submit identical homework assignment(s) will receive a grade of "0" on the offending assignment. Repeat offenses will result in a "0" grade on all assignments. Cheating on an exam will result in a "0" grade for that exam, and will have disastrous consequences for your final grade. If you are having difficulty with the course work, please see me!

**Note** Any student with a disability requiring an accommodation should make this need known to the instructor during the first class period. Every effort will be made to accommodate your needs.