

Economics 4535
Natural Resource Economics
Spring 2014

Instructor: Billy Mertens
Office: ECON 12
E-mail: mertens@colorado.edu
Web: <https://learn.colorado.edu/>
Office Hours: Tues. 10:50-12:15, 3:20

This course is designed to give you an introduction to the implications of natural resources as economic concepts. It presents theories of efficient utilization of natural resources and discusses issues related to current practices of use of resources. We will study natural resources used in the economy, the value of natural resources to society, and the allocation of renewable and non-renewable resources. We also discuss issues of sustainability, conservation, and preservation. The

Exams

There will be three cumulative exams and a cumulative final. Tests will consist of short-answer questions and some longer problems. The exams will all be cumulative, and the material does build on itself so it is important to understand all of the concepts as we go. **Exams will be given in class on the days listed. If you miss an exam with a valid excuse (e.g. a note from your doctor or Wardenburg), then the weight of your final will be increased. Undocumented illnesses do not count as valid excuses (as long as this is not in conflict with a University policy). Note that the exam dates below are not**

h.

Grading Scale:

Your Score	Grade
92% to 100%	A
90% to 91%	A-
88% to 89%	B+
82% to 87%	B
80% to 81%	B-
78% to 79%	C+
72% to 77%	C
70% to 71%	C-
68% to 69%	D+
<u>62% to 67%</u>	<u>D</u>
60% to 61%	D-
Below 59.5%	F

Additional Notes:

Honor Code

All students of the University of Arkansas are expected to adhere to the Honor Code. For more information, please visit the University of Arkansas website at www.uark.edu.

Code of Behavior

Students and faculty each have responsibility for maintaining an appropriate learning environment. Students who fail to adhere to behavioral standards may be subject to discipline. Faculty have the professional responsibility to treat students with understanding, dignity and respect, to guide classroom discussion and to set reasonable limits on the manner in which students express opinions. See policies at <http://www.colorado.edu/policies/classbehavior.html> and at http://www.colorado.edu/studentaffairs/judicialaffairs/code.html#student_code

Policy on Sexual Harassment

The University of Colorado Policy on Sexual Harassment applies to all students, staff and faculty. Sexual harassment is unwelcome sexual attention. It can involve intimidation, threats, coercion, or promises or create an environment that is hostile or offensive.