

Economics 4339—Economics Honors: Seminar 2 Spring 2020, Tues 3:55-6:25, Econ 5

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Office Hours

Mon 10-11:30 and by appt

Course Objectives and Structure

The primary objective of this seminar is to provide a framework that will lead to the successful completion and defense of your honors thesis. Therefore, the majority of the class time will be spent directly on this objective. You will peer-edit portions of your written thesis with your classmates. You will also perform practice presentations of portions of your thesis presentation. Because a primary goal of our seminar is to provide a setting in which students give and receive feedback on their research and their written and verbal presentations of that research, *attendance is mandatory!*

Grades

Your grade will largely be determined by the quality of your final honors thesis document and your oral defense, but can be adjusted based on the quality of your class participation and post-defense assignments.

Economics 4339 does not count towards economics major credit hours, but only as elective hours toward the total Arts and Sciences hours required for graduation.

Important Honors Deadlines and Dates

Wed, Apr 7:

Last oral defense date

Email thesis document to honors@colorado.edu on day you defend, but no later than 4 pm on Apr 7. Thesis document should be sent as a pdf document with filename “LastName FirstName Defense Copy.pdf”

Mon, April 12:

Upload final thesis document to CU Scholar by 11:00 pm

<http://www.colorado.edu/honors/graduation/cuscholar>

Fri, April 16:

Email notification of honors designation by 5pm

More information available at:

https://www.colorado.edu/honors/sites/default/files/attached-files/spring_2021_honors_thesis_deadlines_0.pdf

Course Schedule

Jan 19: Getting started, Econometrics Review #1

Summary Form Due by 5 pm on Mon, Jan 25

Jan 26: Individual Meetings

Feb 2: Econometrics Review #2, Class editing of literature review

Feb 9: Econometrics Review #3, Individual meetings on methods slides

Feb 16: Class editing and mini-presentation of methods

Feb 23: Class editing and mini-presentation of introductions

Mar 2: Class editing and mini-presentation of results

Draft of "Front End" (Intro, Lit Review and Methods) due Fri Mar 5

Mar 9: Abstracts, Draft Feedback, Discussion/Conclusions

March 16, 23: Practice Presentations

Oral Defenses: Mon, Mar 29-Wed, Apr 7

Provide thesis copy to committee at least 3 days in advance of defense

Thesis defense copy emailed to honors@colorado.edu on the day you defend, but no later than 4 pm on Wed, Apr 7

Mar 30: Final Feedback

Apr 6: No Class

Apr 13, 20, 27: Post-Defense Activities