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Friday 3-4:30 pm
Portland State University

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Office Hours: T/Th 12-1:30
And by Appointment

PSU Economics Department Seminar (1 credit per term)

Economics majors, graduate students and other students currently enrolled in an economics course may earn one credit per term for enrollment in the PSU Economics Department Seminar. Students will be expected to attend four economics seminars in a term, submitting a short, written discussion of each. There is no limit to the number of terms for which students may enroll in the Economics Seminar; however only 4 credits of seminar may be applied toward an undergraduate economics major or minor. Economics graduate students are expected to enroll in the seminar, but seminar credits will not count toward the master's degree.

The four seminars will be presented by PSU faculty, faculty from other academic institutions or professional economists, from a variety of approaches and on a wide range of topics. Students will therefore be exposed to the breadth of economics in practice at an advanced level, rather than a coherent study of a particular field or topic.

Undergraduates will be required to

- * attend all four seminars; and
- * submit a 1-page summary and discussion of each seminar, to be turned in within 7 days of the seminar in my mailbox in the Economics Department (241 Cramer Hall).

Graduate students will be required to

- * attend all four seminars; and
- * submit a 2-page summary and discussion of each seminar that draws on your broader knowledge of economics, to be within 7 days of the seminar, in my mailbox in the Economics Department (241 Cramer Hall).

I will use e-mail to send you copies of speakers' papers and to communicate with you about any changes in the schedule. Please update the e-mail address PSU has for you, if need be.

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| Friday, Oct. 9 | John Hall, Professor, Economics Dept., PSU
"Eastern German Unemployment: A Post Keynesian Interpretation" |
| Friday, Oct. 23 | Eric Tymoigne, Asst. Professor, Economics Dept., Lewis and Clark
"The U.S. Mortgage Crisis: Sub-Prime or Systemic?" |
| Friday, Nov. 6 | Shelly Lundberg, Castor Professor of Economics, University of Washington
"Personality and Marital Surplus" |
| Friday, Nov. 20 | Kristen Sheeran, Executive Director
Economics for Equity and the Environment Network
"Saving Kyoto" |