International Trade II_1
Econ 552, Spring 2020
Zoom: https://princeton.zoom.us/j/92063463226, Tuesdays 9:00am to 12:00pm
Princeton University

Syllabus

Overview: This is a graduate Ph.D. course in the second-year international trade sequence. We will cover topics related the effect of trade on organization and productivity, offshoring, and spatial economics.

Grading: Your grade for this course (including both halves) will be based on class participation (including a paper presentation if enrollment permits) and a paper with a research idea. The idea can be preliminary but should be described precisely. Your paper is due on May 5th. Please do the required reading ahead of time and come to class prepared to discuss the related topics.

Outline:

- Firm Boundaries and Trade
  - Required Readings:
  - Optional Readings:

• Organization and Trade
  o Required Readings:
  o Optional Readings:

• Global Supply Chains
  o Required Readings:
  o Optional Readings:
• **Quantitative Spatial Economics**
  
  o **Required Readings:**
    
    
  o **Optional Readings:**
    
    - Proost and Thisse. 2019. “What Can Be Learned from Spatial Economics?,” *Journal of Economic Literature*

• **Two Quantitative Models for Regions**
  
  o **Required Readings:**
    
    
  o **Optional Readings:**
    

• **Adding Commuting to Urban and Regional Models**
  
  o **Required Readings:**
    
    
  o **Optional Readings:**

• Transportation Networks
  o Required Readings:
  o Optional Readings:
    • Allen and Arkolakis, 2020, “The welfare effects of Transportation Infrastructure Improvements,” working paper

• Spatial Models: Adding Dynamics in Labor Markets
  o Required Readings:
  o Optional Readings:

• A Spatial Growth Framework
  o Required Readings:
    • Desmet and Rossi-Hansberg. 2014. “Spatial Development,” American Economic Review
  o Optional Readings: