1 Course Objectives

This course examines theories of international trade in goods and services and analyzes the consequences for labor markets. The course contrasts the theoretical insights with recent empirical evidence.

2 Prerequisites

Students enrolled in the course are expected to have some knowledge of classic trade theory and basic econometric methods.

3 Course Schedule

I. Industry-level Explanations

1. Thu, January 8: Offshoring and Foreign Direct Investment
   *Related evidence:* Muendler and Becker (2010)

2. Thu, January 8: Trade in Tasks
   *Theoretical foundations:* Feenstra and Hanson (1996); Feenstra (2004)/Ch. 4
   *Related evidence:* Becker and Muendler (2014)

II. Firm-level Explanations

3. Thu, January 16: Global Firms and Employment
   *Related evidence:* Bazzi, Menezes-Filho, and Muendler (2014)

4. Thu, January 16: Global Firms and Wages
   *Theoretical foundation:* Helpman, Itskhoki, and Redding (2010)
   *Related evidence:* Helpman, Itskhoki, Muendler, and Redding (2012)
References


