

University of Colorado Boulder

**Econ 4848-003 – Applied Econometrics
Spring 2017**

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Lectures: Tuesday and Thursday 9:30-10:45 HUMN 1B45

Office hours:

Class Participation	10%
Problem Sets	10%
Midterm Exam	20%
Final Exam	30%
Research Project	30%

Class Participation and Attendance: Because the best way to learn applied econometrics is to actually do it, it will be assumed that all students will be in attendance every day. That said, I will be enforcing the administrative drop rule for the first week of class, so be there or get booted. Participation in class discussion will constitute 10% of your final grade.

Problem Sets: There will be a total of 5 problem sets assigned during the semester. You may work with a partner, but each student should individually submit their assignment (with both names on it). The problem sets will be a mix of analysis in STATA and interpretation, so plan ahead if you don't own your own copy of STATA.

Midterm and Final Exams: The midterm will occur in-class roughly mid-March, with the final taking place on finals week

Week 11 3/27-3/31:	Fall Break
Week 12 4/3-4/7:	Omitted Variable Bias and Research Design
Week 13 4/10-4/14:	Individual research project meetings
Week 14 4/17-4/21:	Binary dependent variables
Week 15 4/24-4/28:	Fixed effects, difference-in-differences
Week 16 5/1-5/5:	In-class presentations of research project
Final Exam 5/10:	1:30-4:00 in usual classroom

Important Stuff

1) *If you qualify for accommodations because of a disability, please submit to your professor a letter from Disability Services in a timely manner (for exam accommodations provide your letter at least one week prior to the exam) so that your needs can be addressed. Disability Services determines accommodations based on documented disabilities. Contact Disability Services at 303-492-8671 or by e-mail at dsinfo@colorado.edu. If you have a temporary medical condition or injury, see [Temporary Injuries guidelines](#) under the Quick Links at the [Disability Services website](#) and discuss your needs with your professor.*

2) *Campus policy regarding religious observances requires that faculty make every effort to deal reasonably and fairly with all students who, because of religious obligations, have conflicts with scheduled exams, assignments or required attendance.*

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3) *Students and faculty each have responsibility for maintaining an appropriate learning environment. Those who fail to adhere to such behavioral standards may be subject to discipline. Professional courtesy and sensitivity are especially important with respect to individuals and topics dealing with differences of race, color, culture, religion, creed, politics, veteran's status, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity and gender expression, age, disability, and nationalities. Class rosters are provided to the instructor with the student's legal name. I will gladly honor your request to address you by an alternate name or gender pronoun. Please advise me of this preference early in the semester so that I may make appropriate changes.*

5550. Information about the OIEC, the above referenced policies, and the campus resources available to assist individuals regarding discrimination or harassment can be found at the [OIEC website](#). The [full policy on discrimination and harassment](#) contains additional information.

5) All students of the University of Colorado at Boulder are responsible for knowing and adhering to [the academic integrity policy](#) of this institution. Violations of this policy may include: cheating, plagiarism, aid of academic dishonesty, fabrication, lying, bribery,