

University of Colorado Boulder

**Econ 4848-002 – Applied Econometrics
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Teaching Assistant: TBD (TBD@colorado.edu) will be the Teaching Assistant for our course (TBD will be the TA for all sections of 4848 this spring). You should view TBD as an excellent resource for help on homework, the research project, and general assistance with Stata. Office hours will be posted on Canvas and noted the first day of class.

Grading:

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 in one way, shape, or form, or get booted. Participation will constitute 10% of your final grade. To facilitate and track participation and attendance, we will be using the Top Hat (www.tophat.com) classroom response system (which I've used for several years now). You will be able to submit answers to in-class questions and discussion via your computer.

You can visit <https://support.tophat.com/s/article/Student-Top-Hat-Overview-and-Getting-Started-Guide> for the Student Quick Start Guide which outlines how you will register for a Top Hat account, as well as providing a brief overview to get you up and running on the system. An email invitation will also be sent to your email account. Top

other students. In early November, we will use a week of class-time for individual meetings to discuss your research topic. The final three days of class will consist of roughly 15-minute presentations by each team and will account for 25% of the research project grade. The final research paper will be roughly 8 pages in length, and is due the last day of classes

infectious disease. Required safety measures at CU Boulder relevant to the classroom setting include:

maintain 6-foot distancing when possible,

wear a face covering in public indoor spaces and outdoors while on campus consistent with state and county health orders,

clean local work area,

practice hand hygiene,

follow public health orders, and

if sick and you live off campus, do not come onto campus (unless instructed by a CU Healthcare professional), or if you live on-campus, please alert [CU Boulder Medical Services](#).

Students who fail to adhere to these requirements will be asked to leave class, and students who do not leave class when asked or who refuse to comply with these requirements will be referred to [Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution](#). For more information, see the policies on [COVID-19 Health and Safety](#) and [classroom behavior](#) and the [Student Code of Conduct](#). If you require accommodation because a disability prevents you from fulfilling these safety measures, please see the “Accommodation for Disabilities” statement on this syllabus.

All students who are new to campus must complete the [COVID-19 Student Health and Expectations Course](#). Before coming to campus each day, all students are required to complete the [Buff Pass](#).

Students who have tested positive for COVID-19, have symptoms of COVID-19, or have had close contact with someone who has tested positive for or had symptoms of COVID-19 must stay home. In this class, if you are sick or quarantined, give me a heads-up and we can work out a plan for course materials.

ACCOMMODATION FOR DISABILITIES

If you qualify for accommodations because of a disability, please submit your accommodation letter from Disability Services to your faculty member in a timely manner so that your needs can be addressed. Disability Services determines accommodations based on documented disabilities in the academic environment. Information on requesting accommodations is located on the [Disability Services website](#). Contact Disability Services at 303-492-8671 or dsinfo@colorado.edu for further assistance. If you have a temporary medical condition, see [Temporary Medical Conditions](#) on the Disability Services website.

PREFERRED STUDENT NAMES AND PRONOUNS

CU Boulder recognizes that students' legal information doesn't always align with how they identify. Students may update their preferred names and pronouns via the student portal; those preferred names and pronouns are listed on instructors' class rosters. In the absence of such updates, the name that appears on the class roster is the student's legal name.

HONOR CODE

All students enrolled in a University of Colorado Boulder course are responsible for knowing and adhering to the Honor Code. Violations of the policy may include: plagiarism, cheating, fabrication, lying, bribery, threat, unauthorized access to academic materials, clicker fraud, submitting the same or similar work in more than one course without permission from all course instructors involved, and aiding academic dishonesty. All incidents of academic misconduct will be reported to the Honor Code (honor@colorado.edu); 303-492-5550). Students found responsible for violating the academic integrity policy will be subject to nonacademic sanctions from the Honor Code as well as academic sanctions from the faculty member. Additional information regarding the Honor Code academic integrity policy can be found at the [Honor Code Office website](#).

SEXUAL MISCONDUCT, DISCRIMINATION, HARASSMENT AND/OR RELATED RETALIATION

The University of Colorado Boulder (CU Boulder) is committed to fostering an inclusive and welcoming learning, working, and living environment. CU Boulder will not tolerate acts of sexual misconduct (harassment, exploitation, and assault), intimate partner violence (dating or domestic violence), stalking, or protected-class discrimination or harassment by members of our community. Individuals who believe they have been subject to misconduct or retaliatory actions for reporting a concern should contact the Office of Institutional Equity and Compliance (OIEC) at 303-492-2127 or cureport@colorado.edu. Information about the OIEC, university policies, [anonymous reporting](#), and the campus resources can be found on the [OIEC website](#). Please know that faculty and graduate instructors have a responsibility to inform OIEC when made aware of incidents of sexual misconduct, dating and domestic violence, stalking, discrimination, harassment and/or related retaliation, to ensure that individuals impacted receive information about options for reporting and support resources.

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. See the [campus policy regarding religious observances](#) for full details.