

This review sheet is intended to cover everything that could be on the exam. However, it is possible that I may have overlooked something. You are still responsible for everything in the chapters covered except anything that I explicitly say you are not responsible for. Therefore, if I left something off of this sheet, it can still be on the exam. There will be no multiple-choice questions. Most of the questions will be like the ones in the homework assignments, and possibly a few definition questions, but I am more likely to ask questions that make you use the definitions rather than recite them. I will probably ask one of the questions from the book at the end of the chapters.

Because this class is so small, I will not run a formal review session. Rather, I will be in my office on the night before the exam from 7:00 to 9:00 PM. Feel free to call me there, or stop by during that time.

Because of the students' travel plans, the schedule for the week of 3/10 is as follows. Monday we go over assignments #4 and #4A. The extra office hours will be that evening. The test will be Tuesday at 4:00. Then Wednesday, we will continue in Chapter 7.

For the course in general, for chapters about countries, I will asking about how different countries either fit or fail to fit the model that is applied to them. I will also ask about how those deviations help and/or hurt the functioning of the economy. I will not ask about specific numbers like the percentage of government revenue that comes from income taxes. For the theory chapters: I will ask about the theory behind model, how it works, and what the problems are with different theories.

Chapter 5: How does the culture of the Germany help and/or hurt the capitalist market? How much government interference is there? What are the good and bad aspects of that? What has happened to the size of firms and unions? What are the strengths and weaknesses of the German economy?

Chapter 6: What is socialism? What brought about those schools of thought? What were the utopian societies that were set up in France and how were they run? How has socialism changed over time? What does socialism feel about private property, prices, and the government? How does Marx's views differ from the traditional labor theory of value? Why did he feel that crises and depressions will always occur and get worse each time? Why does materialism and/or dialectical materialism determine history? Work on understanding the strengths and weaknesses of his views. Understand how the theory was applied to the countries in this chapter. Note that we will discuss some of them in later chapters.

Non-graded assignment #4A: _____ to be reviewed on March 10 with assignment #4

- 1) (20 points) What is the greatest strength of socialism?
- 2) (25 points) What is the greatest problem with Marx's theory? Why do you feel that this is such a big problem?
- 3) (35 points) Clearly no pure form of economic system will work well. Which aspects of the capitalist system should be adapted to be more like the socialist system? Why did you choose that aspect? How could that adaption occur and how would that improve the economy?
- 4) (20 points) The former Soviet Union kept the price of bread constant over the entire time that the USSR existed. By the end, it was worth about a half cent. Why did they do that? What problems does that cause?