Economics 393
Update: Tuesday May 12th

1. If you wish to form a study group for this course I’m happy to forward your message to the class by blind carbon copy. One such message will be going out this afternoon.

2. Some of you have asked about videos to replace lectures. Videos are data intensive and some students in this class have unreliable and/or expensive access to the internet. I happen to be in this category myself. I had to chair a PhD oral exam in Math in mid-April using Microsoft’s Teams, and had to go to my office in Hagey Hall to do it. I no longer have access to my office; for me, videos are not feasible.

3. The course outline specifies the dates for assignments, quizzes and tests. Here are some more details on the weekly schedule. Let’s use weeks 1 and 2 of the term as an example. All times are for Toronto, that is, eastern daylight time. Assignment 1 was posted about 9:00 am Monday May 11th. It’s due this Friday May 15th, before noon. Once I have had a chance to look at your answers (I hope before Saturday noon), I will post answers to assignment 1 with some commentary on your answers to correct misunderstandings. Assignment 2 will be posted next Monday morning, May 18th, about 9:00 am. Before 9:00 am next Tuesday morning, May 19th, I will post Quiz 1. The deadline for submitting your answers to Quiz 1 will be Tuesday May 19th, 6:00 pm. Thus you will have over 9 hours to answer the quiz; the quiz should take less than 1 hour to complete. It will be based on the material covered in assignment 1. I will attempt to correct Quiz 1 quickly and post answers to it that give you feedback on your answers. Assignment 2 will be due before noon Friday May 22nd. And so on for weeks 3, 4 .... etc. My plan is that the quizzes will be on the previous week’s material; the tests will be on the material from the beginning of the course up to the Friday before the test.

4. The passage below is taken directly from the course outline. Please follow these rules. You are responsible for checking the above web site Monday through Friday each week of the term. My email address is jburbidg@uwaterloo.ca. You can email me at this address and I will try to respond within 24 hours. Any work you submit to me must be hand-written (not typed) on lined paper. Then, in a single email message, send an image of each page to me at jburbidg@uwaterloo.ca. For the last few weeks of the Winter 2020 term, most students scanned their answers to pdf files. Please send images that do NOT have to be rotated to be read. Please put Econ 393, your name and your id number in the subject line of your email. Failure to follow these rules may result in a lower grade.