**Course Description:** We will trace the development of economics from 1800 up to the present, focusing on the conceptual and methodological foundations of economics, specifically the problems of value and distribution. We will read selected passages from the original writings of David Ricardo, Karl Marx, John Stuart Mill, William Stanley Jevons, John Maynard Keynes, Milton Friedman, Friedrich Hayek, and Amartya Sen. The book by Sylvia Nasar provides a broader context. The two books are on sale at the UBC Book Store. Please always complete the assigned readings prior to class.

David Ricardo, *On the Principles of Political Economy and Taxation*
On-line readings (see list on Canvas)

**Grading:**
- First Test 15 (February 8)
- Second Test 15 (March 28)
- Research Essay Outline 5 (March 7)
- Research Essay 35 (April 11)
- Final Exam 30 (TBA)

100%

**Caveat:** Unless granted a concession, late assignments are penalized at 5% per day. No AI Tools are permitted.

**Logistics:** The tests cover the material up to and including the previous lecture. They will comprise a mixture of short questions and essay questions. The final exam will consist of essay questions that ask you to synthesize and interpret the entire course material. For both tests and the final exam I will provide a preview, at the end of the preceding class. Instructions on the research essay (2000 words) are posted separately. Grades are based on your comprehension of the material and the cogency of your written arguments. Clear writing and clear thinking go hand in hand.
Class Schedule

January 9-11  Preliminaries, Ricardo, Ch. 1 (omit Appendix)
January 16-18  Ricardo, Chs. 2-5; Nasar Preface and Prologue
January 23-25  Ricardo, Chs. 6-7; 30-31
January 30-  Marx*, Chs. 1-6; Nasar Ch. 1
February 1  Marx, Chs. 7-12
February 6  Marx, Chs. 18-32; Nasar Ch. 2
February 8  First Test (in class)
February 13  Mill*; Nasar Ch. 3
February 15  Mill continued
February 20-22  Midterm Break
February 27-29  Jevons*, Prefaces, Chs. 1-2; 3-5; Nasar Ch. 4
March 5  Jevons, Chs. 5; 7-9
March 7  No Class Essay Outline Due (online 10PM)
March 12-14  Keynes, Chs. 1-2, 7; Nasar Ch. 5-6
March 19-21  Keynes, Chs. 18, 22, 24; Nasar Chs. 7-9
March 26  Keynes Essays; Nasar Ch. 10
March 28  Second Test (in class)
April 2  Friedman; Nasar Chs. 11-13
April 4  Hayek; Nasar Chs. 14-17
April 9  Sen; Nasar Ch. 18, Epilogue
April 11  Sen; Research Essay Due (online 10PM)
TBA  Final Exam

(*For the readings by Marx, Mill, and Jevons, there are selected pages; see the separate list on Canvas)
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