

# Taiwan and the Global Economy – Where We Stand

## Day 1 - Assessing the Global Economy

9:10 am – 9:50 am Introduction to the Class, Website, Software, Data, etc.

Break – 10 minutes 9:50 pm - 10:00 pm

10:00 am – 10:50 am Lecture  
The Current Situation in the US and the Eurozone

Break – 10 minutes 10:50 pm - 11:00 pm

11:00 am – 11:50 am Lecture  
The Current Situation in Japan and China

Lunch – 100 minutes 12:00 pm - 1:40 pm

1:40 pm – 1:50 pm Presentation Group 1 – 10-15 minutes (in Chinese or English)

**Why are Oil Prices So Low?**

1:55 pm – 2:05 pm Presentation Group 2 – 10-15 minutes (in Chinese or English)

**What is QE and is it Working?**

2:10 pm – 2:20 pm Presentation Group 3 – 10-15 minutes (in Chinese or English)

**What are Currency Wars and Are We Fighting Them Now?**

Break Time – 10 minutes      2:20 pm – 2:30 pm

2:40 pm – 2:50 pm Presentation Group 4 – 10-15 minutes (in Chinese or English)

**What is Being Done to Stimulate the Chinese Economy?**

3:00 pm – 3:20 pm **Lecture (intro) Secular Stagnation or Speculative Bubbles)**

Break Time – 10 minutes      3:20 pm – 3:30 pm

3:30 pm – 4:20 pm **(conclusion) Secular Stagnation or Speculative Bubbles?  
Evaluation of the Claims (in English)**

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Break Time – 10 minutes      4:20 pm – 4:30 pm

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4:30 pm - 5:00 pm      Multiple Choice Quiz Taken Together  
(No real grade - just a review)

5:00 pm - 5:30 pm      Concluding Remarks and Looking to Tomorrow

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## Day 2 Taiwan's Economic Challenges in the Near Term

9:10 am – 9:50 am      **Lecture**  
**The Current State of Taiwan's Economy (in English)**

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Break Time – 10 minutes      9:50 am – 10:00 am

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10:00 am -10: 50 am      **Lecture**  
**Short and Long Run Challenges to Taiwan's Economy (in English)**

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Break Time – 10 minutes      10:50 am – 11:00 am

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11:00 am – 11:15 am Presentation Group 5 – 15 minutes (in Chinese or English)

**What is ECFA and is it Working?**

11:20 am – 11:35 am Presentation Group 6 – 15 minutes (in Chinese or English)

**How Strong is Taiwan's Manufacturing Sector?**

Discussion

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Lunch – 100 minutes      12:00 pm – 1:40 pm

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1:40 pm – 1:55 pm Presentation Group 7 – 15 minutes (in Chinese or English)

**Why is Taiwan's Birthrate so Low?**

2:00 pm – 2:15 pm Presentation Group 8 – 15 minutes (in Chinese or English)

**How Healthy is Taiwan's National Health Care System?**

Discussion

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Break Time – 10 minutes      2:20 pm – 2:30 pm

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2:30 pm – 3:20 pm

Lecture

What is Inflation: What Causes It and are Falling Prices Really Bad

Break Time – 10 minutes

3:20 pm – 3:30 pm

3:30 pm – 4:20 pm

Lecture A Short Discussion of Government Debt

Break Time – 10 minutes

4:20 pm – 4:30 pm

4:30 pm - 5:00 pm

Multiple Choice Quiz Taken Together in Class  
(No grade - just a review)

5:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Concluding Remarks and Suggested  
Interesting Books and Websites