

**ECON 201**  
**Nageeb's Section of Advanced Topics**  
FALL 2009

**Description of the Course**

Our focus during these 3 weeks will be understanding the foundations of cooperation in society and organizations through the lens of repeated games and reputations. On several occasions, I will follow the presentation of material in Mailath and Samuelson's beautiful book; it is up to you whether to purchase the book (since you will not need it for most of the course).

The topics and readings are as follows:

**A. Repeated Games and Self-Generation**

1. September 28 and September 30: [Abreu et al. \(1990\)](#), [Mailath and Samuelson \(2006, Ch. 2\)](#).

**B. Social Cooperation:**

1. October 5: [Ali and Miller \(2009\)](#).
2. October 12: [Kandori \(1992\)](#), [Ellison \(1994\)](#), [Ghosh and Ray \(1996\)](#), [Watson \(1999, 2002\)](#), [Bernheim and Whinston \(1990\)](#), [Mailath and Samuelson \(2006, Ch. 5.1-5.3.\)](#).
3. October 14 and 19: [Kranton \(1996\)](#), [Dixit \(2003\)](#), [Takahashi \(2009\)](#), [Karlan et al. \(2009\)](#).

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