Weeks 2-10, Friday 1-2:50pm, HSSB 1231 or Ellison 2626 (See the session schedule provided below.)

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We welcome you to our course in experimental economics. We will have five, two-hour sessions, in which we teach you about experiments and experimental economics. In each session we will run at least one experiment and discuss relevant issues. Our goal is to teach you the value of experiments for understanding markets and individual interactions.

The experiments are intended to predict behavior in real-world situations. We will pay you actual money; the amount will depend on the outcomes in the experimental sessions. We will keep a running total of your earnings and will pay you at the end of the quarter.

The course will be graded on a pass/no-pass basis. Passing the course does not depend on your earnings in the experiments, but does depend on your participation.

Session 1a: Friday, October 1, 2004 -- HSSB 1231
Introduction: Charness

Session 1b: Friday, October 8, 2004 – Ellison 2626 (LSIT Computing Facility)
Bank Deposit Game: Garratt

Session 2: Friday, October 15, 2004 -- Ellison 2626 (LSIT Computing Facility)
Auctions: Garratt

Session 3: Friday, October 29, 2004 -- HSSB 1231
Choosing Partners: Bergstrom

Sessions 4: Friday, November 12, 2003 -- HSSB 1231
Coordination and Communication: Charness

Session 5: Friday, November 26, 2003 -- HSSB 1231
Altruism and Reciprocity: Garratt