

Journal assignment from Dr. Joyce Man's "Economics of Public Management" course at Indiana University

Journals: A critical element in the course is applying the economic concepts covered in lectures, the problems, and the case studies to real world situations as they emerge. A measure of how well each student makes the connection between these concepts and real world events will be the journal each class participant submits on the last day of class (**December 8, 2004**). The journal must contain, at a minimum, ten entries that explain how an article (or portion of an article) uses a concept or concepts presented in this course. The articles may be drawn from a wide variety of sources, including *The Economist*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *U.S. News & World Report*, etc. At least three of the articles must be from *The Economist*. The journal entry will include a proper bibliographical citation for the article, a brief (one or two paragraph) explanation how the article is relevant to a concept or concepts covered in the course, and a photocopy of the relevant article with the pertinent portion of the article highlighted. Each journal entry must involve a separate article. Your grade on the journal will be based on how well you explain the economic concept covered, using the correct citation form, etc. In addition, the number and quality of your entry choices will be compared to other class participants' entries. Part of your grade will be based on how well your choices "compare" to those of your peers.