Intermediate Microeconomics (Economics 3070-002)  
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Class Meeting  
TR 11:00-12:15 pm, Economics 117  

Problem Sessions (Econ 5)  
Wednesdays 2-3 p.m.

Office hours (Econ 12)  
Wednesdays 9-12 or by appointment

Home Page:  
http://nash.colorado.edu/tomruth/3070

Textbook:  

Goals and Strategies

The purpose of this course is to introduce undergraduate students to the basic concepts from microeconomics analysis in an applied setting. The course will employ elementary calculus and graphical tools. Students are required to have completed a one semester course in calculus in order to register in this section of Economics 3070.

Students who complete this course should have a good understanding of the use of models in economics. They should also be well acquainted with the theory of consumer behavior, the theory of the firm, and the role of markets in allocating scarce resources.

Subsidiary goals for the course include:

* the development of clear written and oral communication skills in classroom interaction, short essay assignments and examinations,

* familiarity with the use of diagrams and elementary calculus in formulating models in economics.

* a working understanding of the practical application of economic ideas to specific policy issues and industries.

Conduct of the Course

The course meets twice a week. One class session per week will generally be devoted to discussions and problem-solving. Students are expected to contribute to the course through active participation in class discussions and timely completion of writing assignments and problem sets.
Course evaluation is based on class participation, periodic writing assignments, a mid-term examination and a final examination. Specific weights assigned to these tasks are:

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The final examination will be for two hours, held at the time and place scheduled by the registrar.