

ECON 2010-100 Principles of Microeconomics

Summer Session-A 2025

University of Colorado Boulder

This course meets Monday-Friday between 9:20 AM-10:55 AM in the Center for Academic Success & Engagement (CASE) E240. Attendance is mandatory.

Course Homepage: [ECON 2010-100: Prin of Microeconomics](#)

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Course Objective

This course examines the basic concepts of microeconomics. The objective is to develop an understanding of the behavior and the interactions of individuals, firms and government. We will develop basic tools that can be used to analyze real world issues through a microeconomic lens. Topics include determining economic problems, how consumers and businesses make decisions, how markets work, how they fail and how government actions affect markets.

Required Text

Principles of Microeconomics, by N. Gregory Mankiw, 10th edition, Cengage. In addition, you need to sign up for MindTap through Cengage to complete the homework assignments. You can access the ebook and the homework assignments through the [Cengage](#) tab on the navigation bar. The homework assignments are also available in the Assignments tab.

Recitation

Recitations are held twice a week. These are in-person meetings with your recitation instructor intended to apply the concepts from lecture to problems that help you prepare for the homework assignments and exams. Attendance is mandatory twice a week for all recitations during the course. You are allowed two missed recitations without penalty. Recitation worksheets and answer keys will be made available on the course homepage.

Day	Time	Room	Instructor
Monday	11:10am-12:30pm	Eaton Humanities 1B90	Keanan Gleason
Wednesday	11:10am-12:30pm	Eaton Humanities 1B90	Keanan Gleason

Lecture

Lecture attendance is mandatory and will be monitored each day in class. You are allowed up to three missed lectures without penalty for illnesses and other unavoidable circumstances and commitments. Please send me an email in case you need to miss a lecture. Please refrain from using your laptop or phone in class. Instead, be prepared to take notes with paper and pencil, or on a tablet. Lecture slides will be uploaded on the course homepage.

Assignments and Grading

Lecture Participation	10%
You may miss 3 lectures throughout the session without penalty. This includes missed lectures for sickness, family emergencies, etc. If you are experiencing personal circumstances that require you to miss more than 3 lectures in a row, please contact me.	
Recitation	10%
You are required to attend recitation and cannot earn credit if you are absent. You may miss 2 recitations throughout the semester without penalty. If you are experiencing personal circumstances that require you to miss more than 2 recitations, please contact your TA.	
Homework	20%
You may miss one homework without penalty. The score for each homework is the percentage of the questions you answered correctly in your highest of 3 attempts.	
Midterm Exams	30%
2 In-Class Midterm Exams. 35 Multiple-Choice Questions, 60 minutes. See schedule on Canvas homepage for dates. I will count your higher score towards your final grade.	
Final Exams	30%
45 Multiple-Choice Questions, 90 minutes. Cumulative. Takes place on the final day of classes (July 3rd). You must complete this exam on that date.	

Extra Credit

There are two extra credit assignments, "[How to Do Aplia Assignments](#)", and "[Refresh Your Math and Graphing Skills](#)". These are both due during the first week of classes (check Canvas for due dates), and are intended to familiarize you with the tools needed to succeed in this course. Successfully completing them will add 1% to your course grade per assignment.

Final Grade Allocation

A: ≥ 94 , A-: 90-93.9, B+: 87-89.9, B: 83-86.9, B-: 80-82.9, C+: 77-79.9, C: 73-76.9, C-: 70-72.9, D+: 67-69.9, D: 63-66.9, D-: 60-62.9, F: < 60 . Final grades are based on the percentage of possible points you achieved in the course. I may curve individual assignments.

Honor Code

All students enrolled in a University of Colorado Boulder course are responsible for knowing and adhering to the [Honor Code](#). Violations of the Honor Code may include but are not limited to: plagiarism (including use of paper writing services or technology [such as essay bots]), cheating, fabrication, lying, bribery, threat, unauthorized access to academic materials, clicker fraud, submitting the same or similar work in more than one course without permission from all course instructors involved, and aiding academic dishonesty. Understanding the course's syllabus is a vital part in adhering to the Honor Code.

All incidents of academic misconduct will be reported to Student Conduct & Conflict Resolution: StudentConduct@colorado.edu. Students found responsible for violating the [Honor Code](#) will be assigned resolution outcomes from the Student Conduct & Conflict Resolution as well as be subject to academic sanctions from the faculty member. Visit [Honor Code](#) for more information on the academic integrity policy.

Accommodation for Disabilities, Temporary Medical Conditions, and Medical Isolation

If you qualify for accommodations because of a disability, please submit your accommodation letter from Disability Services to your faculty member in a timely manner so that your needs can be addressed. Disability Services determines accommodations based on documented disabilities in the academic environment. Information on requesting accommodations is located on the [Disability Services website](#). Contact Disability Services at 303-492-8671 or DSinfo@colorado.edu for further assistance. If you have a temporary medical condition, see [Temporary Medical Conditions](#) on the Disability Services website.

If you have a temporary illness, injury or required medical isolation for which you require adjustment, please send me an email.

Accommodation for Religious Obligations

Campus policy requires faculty to provide reasonable accommodations for students who, because of religious obligations, have conflicts with scheduled exams, assignments or required attendance. Please communicate the need for a religious accommodation in a timely manner prior to the date of the required accommodation. See the [campus policy regarding religious observances](#) for full details.

Preferred Student Names and Pronouns

CU Boulder recognizes that students' legal information doesn't always align with how they identify. Students may update their preferred names and pronouns via the student portal; those preferred names and pronouns are listed on instructors' class rosters. In the absence of such updates, the name that appears on the class roster is the student's legal name.

Classroom Behavior

Students and faculty are responsible for maintaining an appropriate learning environment in all instructional settings, whether in person, remote, or online. Failure to adhere to such behavioral standards may be subject to discipline. Professional courtesy and sensitivity are especially important with respect to individuals and topics dealing with race, color, national origin, sex, pregnancy, age, disability, creed, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, veteran status, marital status, political affiliation, or political philosophy.

For more information, see the [classroom behavior policy](#), the [Student Code of Conduct](#), and the [Office of Institutional Equity and Compliance](#).

Sexual Misconduct, Discrimination, Harassment and/or Related Retaliation

CU Boulder is committed to fostering an inclusive and welcoming learning, working, and living environment. University policy prohibits [protected-class](#) discrimination and harassment, sexual misconduct (harassment, exploitation, and assault), intimate partner abuse (dating or domestic violence), stalking, and related retaliation by or against members of our community on- and off-campus. The Office of Institutional Equity and Compliance (OIEC) addresses these concerns, and individuals who have been subjected to misconduct can contact OIEC at 303-492-2127 or email CUREport@colorado.edu. Information about university policies, [reporting options](#), and [OIEC support resources](#) including confidential services can be found on the [OIEC website](#).

Please know that faculty and graduate instructors are required to inform OIEC when they are made aware of incidents related to these concerns regardless of when or where something occurred. This is to ensure that individuals impacted receive outreach from OIEC about their options and support resources. To learn more about reporting and support for a variety of concerns, visit the [Don't Ignore It page](#).

Mental Health and Wellness

The University of Colorado Boulder is committed to the well-being of all students. If you are struggling with personal stressors, mental health or substance use concerns that are impacting academic or daily life, please contact [Counseling and Psychiatric Services \(CAPS\)](#) located in C4C or call (303) 492-2277, 24/7.

Free and unlimited telehealth is also available through [Academic Live Care](#).

The Academic Live Care site also provides information about additional wellness services on campus that are available to students.

Please note that this syllabus is subject to change. Any changes will be announced on the Canvas Course homepage.