

# Principles of Microeconomics

ECON 2010 - 700 - Fall 2025

University of Colorado, Boulder

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## Syllabus

This Syllabus covers all the important organizational details. Further information if not specified here, will be given in class at the appropriate time.

## Logistics and Important Dates

We meet two times a week on Tuesday and Thursday from 8:00am to 9:15am in room CHEM 140. I will hold office hours on Tuesday and Thursday from 10:00am-10:45am (or by appointment if this time is inconvenient), my office is in Economics 214A. Once a week you will also meet with one of the Teaching Assistants for the class during Recitation Sessions. During Recitation Sessions you will regularly review the past and upcoming assignments, and get extra help prior to exams.

There will be two in-class midterm exams and one final exam. Please mark your calendar as follows:

- **Midterm 1, Thursday September 25th during class time**
- **Midterm 2, Thursday October 30th during class time**
- **Final Exam, Thursday December 11th at 7:30pm.**

## Textbook, Online Platform and Clicker

The textbook for the class is **Microeconomics** by Acemoglu, Laibson and List, Third Edition. To keep the cost of your course materials as low as possible and access to those materials as convenient as possible, we have collaborated with the CU Book Store and the publisher to deliver those materials through a program called “CU Book Access”. See Link for more details on the program.

MyLab you will have access to the ebook and additional learning material and to weekly problem sets which will be graded. The best way to login into MyLab is through the learning platform of the University, Canvas <https://canvas.colorado.edu/>.

We are going to use iClicker for in-class activities. Here is a link with information on how to setup your account.

## TA and Recitations

Recitations starts in the second week

ECON 2010 711	Principles of Microeconomics	W 8am-8:50am	Guggenheim Geography Bldg 2
ECON 2010 712	Principles of Microeconomics	M 3:35pm-4:25pm	Guggenheim Geography Bldg 3
ECON 2010 713	Principles of Microeconomics	M 4:40pm-5:30pm	Economics Bldg 2
ECON 2010 714	Principles of Microeconomics	W 1:25pm-2:15pm	Economics Bldg 205
ECON 2010 715	Principles of Microeconomics	M 5:45pm-6:35pm	Economics Bldg 2
ECON 2010 717	Principles of Microeconomics	T 5pm-5:50pm	Economics Bldg 2
ECON 2010 718	Principles of Microeconomics	M 8am-8:50am	Clare Small Arts and Sciences 208
ECON 2010 719	Principles of Microeconomics	T 5:45pm-6:35pm	Clare Small Arts and Sciences 302
ECON 2010 721	Principles of Microeconomics	W 5:45pm-6:35pm	Center Acad Success & Engagmnt E230
ECON 2010 722	Principles of Microeconomics	T 1:25pm-2:15pm	Bruce Curtis Bldg E155
ECON 2010 723	Principles of Microeconomics	M 8am-8:50am	Economics Bldg 119
ECON 2010 724	Principles of Microeconomics	M 9:05am-9:55am	Economics Bldg 205

Office hours will be held on different days and times of the week. The first week of class all the office hours are going to be determined and posted to Canvas.

## Weekly Assignments

I will assign weekly problem sets that will be graded. A portion of the questions in the problem sets will aim at reinforcing your understanding and mastering of the material, while a portion will be representative of the type of questions that you will get in the midterm and final exams.

## Grading

Your final grade will be determined according to the following percentages

- Midterm I 25%
- Midterm II 25%
- Final 25%
- MyEconLab Problem Sets 15%
- Lecture clickers 5%
- Recitations 5%

The questions for lectures and recitations will count as follows: 2 points for a correct answer, 1 point for an incorrect answer, 0 for no answer. The total score for these questions will be computed by adding all the scores while discarding the lowest 6 questions.

Alternatively, the following scheme will be used in case that generates a higher grade.

- Midterm I 20%
- Midterm II 20%
- Final 35%
- MyLab Problem Sets 15%
- Video Lectures Questions 5%
- Recitation Participation and Questions 5%

## Extra Credit

Occasionally, we may offer the opportunity to earn extra credit during the semester. While optional, it can only raise your class score.

## Emails

If you would like to contact me through email, please use your official school email address. I will **not** respond to personal email. Do not email me questions that can be found in the syllabus. Please start a new email when asking me a question rather than replying to a class-wide email and include the subject “Econ2010 - Fall 25”. This makes sure I see all emails since I use filter for the emails, and also makes sure nobody accidentally clicks the dreaded “reply all” button.

**I am not allowed, by law, to discuss grades with you or anyone else via email. Please do not email me with questions about your grade - instead, see me during office hours.**

## Topics

We are going to follow the book chapter very closely. Here is a list of the topics we cover during a semester.

- The Principles and Practice of Economics
- Economic Methods and Economic Questions
- Optimization: Doing the Best You Can
- Demand, Supply, and Equilibrium
- Consumers and Incentives
- Sellers and Incentives
- Perfect Competition and the Invisible Hand
- Trade

- Externalities and Public Goods
- The Government in the Economy: Taxation and Regulation
- Markets for Factor of Productions
- Monopoly

## **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 of adhering to the Honor Code.

All incidents of academic misconduct will be reported to Student Conduct & Conflict Resolution: Student-Conduct@colorado.edu. Students found responsible for violating the Honor Code will be assigned resolution outcomes from Student Conduct & Conflict Resolution and will 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 write an email as soon as possible to accommodate the deadlines.

## **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. See the campus policy regarding religious observances for full details.

## **Preferred Student Names and Pronouns**

CU Boulder recognizes that students' legal information does not always align with how they identify. If you wish to have your preferred name (rather than your legal name) and/or your preferred pronouns appear on your instructors' class rosters and in Canvas, visit the Registrar's website for instructions on how to change your personal information in university systems.

## **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.

Additional classroom behavior information:

- Student Classroom and Course-Related Behavior Policy
- Student Code of Conduct
- 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 [OIEC@colorado.edu](mailto:OIEC@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 the person impacted receives outreach from OIEC about resolution options and support resources. To learn more about reporting and support 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.