

Syllabus for Intermediate Microeconomics (Econ 3070-101) - Summer 2010

Current Grades

Instructor:

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Class Meeting Times:

M T W Th F 12:45pm-2:20pm ECON 117

Final Exam

Friday July 2, 2010 1:15pm-2:20pm

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Class Website:

<http://webfiles.colorado.edu/tische/econ3070/index.html>

This is the course Web page.

Office Hours:

Monday 11:00am-12:00pm

Thursday 2:30pm-4:00pm

By appointment

Course Description and Objectives:

Explores theory and application of models of consumer choice, firm and market organization, and general equilibrium. Extensions include intertemporal decisions, decisions under uncertainty, externalities, and strategic interaction.

Textbook:

Microeconomics, 7th edition, by Robert Pindyck, and Daniel Rubinfeld is required.

Grading:

Grades will be determined on the basis of your performance on 5 exams.

The exams will be administered on June 4, June 11, June 18, June 25 and July 2 in class. Each test is worth 20% of the course grade. The midterms are not cumulative and will cover only the material since the previous test. Each exam will take approximately 1 hour.

100-93% A 73-76% C
 90-92% A- 70-72% C-
 87-89% B+ 67-69% D+
 83-86% B 63-66% D
 80-82% B- 60-62% D-
 77-79% C+ below 60% F

Make-Up Exams:

There will be NO make-up exams for this class If you miss a midterm exam with a documented excuse, the weight given your final exam will be increased.

Tentative Course Schedule:

Week of	Course Material	Topics	Exam
6/1	Chapters 1, 2, 3 and 4	Markets and Prices, Supply and Demand, Consumer Behavior, Individual and Market Demand	Exam 1 (6/4)
6/7	Chapters 6, 7, 8 and 9	Production, Cost, Profit Maximization and Competitive Supply, Analysis of Competitive Markets	Exam 2 (6/11)
6/14	Chapters 10, 11 and 12	Monopoly and Monopsony, Pricing with Market Power, Monopolistic Competition and Oligopoly	Exam 3 (6/18)
6/21	Chapters 13, 14, and 15	Game Theory and Competitive Strategy, Markets for Factor Inputs, Investment, Time and Capital Markets	Exam 4 (6/25)
6/28	Chapters 16, 17 and 18	General Equilibrium and Economic Efficiency, Markets with Asymmetric Information, Externalities and Public Goods	Exam 5 (7/2)

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Time extensions for exams must be approved by me prior to the exam. If you have not talked to me personally prior to the exam you will not be granted an extension.

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