

**ECON 200 H: Introduction to Microeconomics**  
**Winter 2015**

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**Class time:** MW 8:30-10:20 am

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**Course Description**

This course is an introductory course in microeconomics. The course consists of three parts: Demand and supply analysis (Chapter 1-5), analysis of production (Chapter 6-7), and analysis of markets structures (Chapter 8 & 11).

By studying the first part, one should be able to apply the tools of demand supply to analyze a broad range of problems, such as tax and subsidy, price control, capture of consumer surplus, economic welfare and etc. Also, you will gain a sense of marginal analysis, which is the key tool for economic analysis, from this part of study.

The study of the second and the third parts will reinforce your understanding with marginal analysis, which will allow you to analyze problems like firms' shut-down decision, monopoly pricing, price discrimination, and etc.

**Textbook**

Principles of Microeconomics, 7<sup>th</sup> Edition, E. Silberberg, G. Ellis

**Grading**

5 Quizzes: 24%

2 Exams: 76% (38% each)

There will be 5 quizzes; your lowest quiz grade will be dropped. Make-up quizzes are not available unless you have a doctor's note. Any issues concerning individual quiz grades must be resolved within 1 week after the graded quizzes have been handed back to the class.

There will be 2 exams, 1<sup>st</sup> exam and 2<sup>nd</sup> exam.

For the 1<sup>st</sup> exam: If you miss it and would like to make it up, you must present a doctor's note explaining why you were absent on the testing day. Any issues concerning your 1<sup>st</sup> exam grade must be resolved within 1 week after the graded 1<sup>st</sup> exam is handed back to the class.

For the 2<sup>nd</sup> exam: The 2<sup>nd</sup> exam is not cumulative, which means it will not test directly on materials covered before the 1<sup>st</sup> exam. No make-up exam is available for the 2<sup>nd</sup> exam.

**Additional Resources**

EUB Tutoring Center - <http://depts.washington.edu/ecnboard/eub-tutoring/>

The CLUE (Center for Undergraduate Learning and Enrichment) Program-  
<http://depts.washington.edu/aspuw/clue/home/>

Personal Tutors for hire – email econadv@u.washington.edu for additional information.

**Disability Accommodations**

If you have a documented disability and feel comfortable sharing that with me, please do so at the earliest time possible so that I can help make necessary accommodations. I also encourage you to work with staff at the Office of Disability Resources.

**Academic Integrity**

Academic integrity is the cornerstone of the Department’s rules for student conduct and evaluation of student learning. Students accused of academic misconduct will be referred directly to the Office of Community Standards and Student Conduct for disciplinary action pursuant to the Student Conduct Code and, if found guilty, will be subject to sanctions. Sanctions range from a disciplinary warning, to academic probation, to immediate dismissal for the Department and the University, depending on the seriousness of the misconduct. Dismissal can be, and has been, applied even for first offenses. Moreover, a grade of zero can be assigned by the instructor for the course.

### **Tentative Schedule\***

*\* Note that this is a tentative schedule. I reserve the right to change the progress, to add and to exclude materials.*

Week 1

Mon: Syllabus

Wed: Ch 1

Week 2

Mon: Ch 2

Wed: *Quiz 1* & Ch 3

Week 3

Mon: Holiday

Wed: Ch 3 & 4

Week 4

Mon: *Quiz 2* & Ch 4

Wed: Ch 5

Week 5

Mon: *Quiz 3* & Ch 6

Wed: Ch 6 & review

Week 6

Mon: *1<sup>st</sup> exam*

Wed: Ch 7

Week 7

Mon: Holiday

Wed: *Quiz 4* & Ch 7

Week 8

Mon: Ch 8

Wed: Ch 8

Week 9

Mon: *Quiz 5* & Ch 11

Wed: Ch 11

Week 10

Mon: Review

Wed: *2<sup>nd</sup> exam*