

ECON 300 D: Intermediate Microeconomics

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Lecture Time and Location*:

M-W 6:30 – 8:20 at THO Hall room 135

Midterm*:

Mon, Nov 7th during class time.

Final Exam*:

Wed, Dec 14th. Same location and time as lectures.

*All lectures and exams are in-person and zoom recoding is not provided unless special circumstances arise.

Office Hours:

TBD

Textbook:

Textbook: Microeconomics: Theory and Applications with Calculus (5th edition) by Jeffrey M. Perloff, 2020.

Prerequisites

ECON 200 and any one of the following: MATH 112, 123, or 134.

Course Schedule (subject to change):

- Week 1: Introduction and syllabus, Math/algebra review
- Week 2: Econ 200 Review, Consumer choice
- Week 3: Consumer choice, Demand Theory
- Week 4: Demand theory, Theory of the firm
- Week 5: Theory of the firm,
- Week 6: Cost, Midterm review
- Week 7: **Midterm exam**, Perfect competition
- Week 8: Perfect competition continued
- Week 9: Monopolies
- Week 10: Game Theory
- Week 11: Monopolistic competition and oligopolies

Grading:

- **30%** Midterm
- **50%** Final exam
- **20%** Homeworks

A. Final Exam

- The course's final exam is **cumulative** and includes all the covered material throughout the course. It is expected to take ~100 – 110 minutes.
- The final exam will be **closed-book** and **closed-notes** and you may only use a calculator if needed.

B. Homework Assignments

- Throughout the quarter I will post homework assignments on [Pearson MyLab Economics](#).
- You may opt not to submit **two** homework assignments without them having an effect on your overall grade. However, if you do submit all (which is strongly recommended), the two lowest grades will be **dropped** automatically.
- Therefore, no extensions will be provided on the homework assignments.

Department policy and assigning grades:

- The department of economics has adopted a set of grading guidelines for ECON 300. The median grade assigned must be no more than 3.1.

Academic Honesty

1. Exams are individual work and cheating will not be tolerated. Looking at another student's exam is considered cheating. If a student is seen committing this act, they will be referred to the Office of Student Conduct on campus for a hearing. A student who may be facilitating the act of cheating will be also referred to the same office.
2. Altering an exam before submitting it for a review of the grading, obtaining an advance copy of an examination, or arranging for a surrogate test-taker are all flagrant violations of university policy. Again, a student suspected of this act may be referred to the Office of Student Conduct.
3. Altering an exam after being graded and then soliciting an adjustment of the exam grade is also a violation of university policy and students who attempt this will be reported to the Office of Student Conduct. A formal warning: a copy of each exam will be saved before being distributed back to students.
4. Cheating of any kind may result in expulsion from the university. The department will follow university policy in case of academic misconduct. I strongly recommend that you review the Dept. of Economics policy here.

Students found having engaged in academic dishonesty will be subject to sanctions, which range from a disciplinary warning to permanent expulsion from the University, depending on the seriousness of the misconduct.

Accessibility and Accommodations

If you have already established accommodations with Disability Resources for Students (DRS), please communicate your approved accommodations to me at your earliest convenience so we can discuss your needs in this course. If you have not yet established services through DRS, but have a temporary health condition or permanent disability that requires accommodations (conditions include, but not limited to: mental health, attention-related, learning, vision, hearing, physical or health impacts), you are welcome to contact DRS at [206-543-8924](tel:206-543-8924) or uw-drs@uw.edu or disability.uw.edu.

DRS offers resources and coordinates reasonable accommodations for students with disabilities and/or temporary health conditions. Reasonable accommodations are established through an interactive process between you, your instructor(s), and DRS. It is the policy and practice of the University of Washington to create inclusive and accessible learning environments consistent with federal and state law.

Religious Accommodations

Washington state law requires that UW develop a policy for accommodation of student absences or significant hard-ship due to reasons of faith or conscience, or for organized religious activities. The UW's policy, including more information about how to request an accommodation, is available at Faculty Syllabus Guidelines and Resources. Accommodations must be requested within the first two weeks of this course using the Religious Accommodations Request form available at

<https://registrar.washington.edu/students/religious-accommodations-request/>