

Department of Economics Course Outline

Term: Winter 2010

Course: Economics 301 **Section:** 01

[Intermediate Economic Theory –

Macroeconomics I]

Time: MWF 14:00 – 14:50 **Place:** ICT 114 (subject to change)

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Hours:

Textbook(s):

Hal Varian, Intermediate Microeconomics, 7th Edition, Norton, 2006.

Book(s) On Reserve: None

Blackboard:

This course will make use of blackboard – students who are registered in the course can logon at http://blackboard.ucalgary.ca/webapps/login. Please note that Blackboard features a class email list that I will use. It is your responsibility to make sure that Blackboard uses the email of your choice. The default is your University of Calgary email address.

Course Outline: This is an intermediate level course in Microeconomics. (Some chapters may be added or deleted depending on time considerations.)

- 1. Introductory Material Chapter 1
- 2. Budget, Preferences Chapter 2 and 3
- 3. Utility, Choice, and Preferences Chapters 4, 5, and 30
- 4. Demand, Buying, and Selling Chapters 6 and 7
- 5. Price and Income Effects Chapters 8 and 9
- 6. Consumer Surplus Chapter 14
- 7. Technology, Cost, and Profit Chapters 18 and 21

- 8. Profit Maximization and Cost Minimization Chapters 19 and 20
- 9. Firm Supply and Demand Chapters 15 and 22
- 10. Competitive Markets Chapters 23

Grade Determination and Final Examination Details:

Midterm	30%	March 1, 2010
Assignment 1	10%	February 10, 2010 – Late assignments will not be accepted.
Assignment 2	10%	March 10, 2010 – Late assignments will not be accepted.
Assignment 3	10%	March 31, 2010 – Late assignments will not be accepted.
Final Examination	40%	Scheduled by Registrar – 2 Hours

Each assignment is due at the beginning of the lecture on the due date. Late assignments will not be accepted.

The midterm exam will be held in class on the date indicated. The time and location of the final exam, which will be two hours in length, will be scheduled by the Registrar's Office. Exam questions will not consist of multiple choice questions. The use of a non-programmable calculator during exams is permitted. The use of graphing calculators, computers, and cell phones is not permitted during tests and exams.

The midterm exam, assignment, and the final exam are marked on a numerical basis. The grades are then added using the weights indicated above. As a guide to determining standing, these letter grade equivalences will generally apply:

A+	97 - 100	В	79 - 83	C-	62 - 66
A	92 - 96	B-	76 - 78	D+	57 - 61
A-	89 - 91	C+	73 - 75	D	50 - 56
B+	84 - 88	C	67 - 72	F	0 - 49

Notes:

- 1. Make-up midterm exams and deferred midterm exams will not be given. Deferred final examinations do not have to cover the same material or have the same format as the regular final examination.
- 2. Examinations will not be given prior to the scheduled date.
- 3. Students will not be given extra time to complete tests and exams.
- 4. Students should be aware of the academic regulations outlined in The University of Calgary Calendar.

- 5. Students seeking reappraisal of a piece of graded term work should discuss their work with the instructor within 15 days of work being returned to class; however, the earliest that grades will be discussed will be two days after the return of an assignment or examination.
- 6. Students will be responsible for all material listed on the course outline, regardless of whether or not the material has been covered in class, unless the instructor notifies the class that the material will not be covered.
- 7. Please note that the following types of emails will receive no response: emails not addressed to anyone in particular; emails where the recipient's name is not spelled correctly; anonymous emails; emails which do not specify the course and section in which you are registered; and, emails involving questions that are specifically addressed on the course outline.
- 8. It is the student's responsibility to request academic accommodations. If you are a student with a documented disability who may require academic accommodation and have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre, please contact their office at 220-8237. Students who have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre are not eligible for formal academic accommodation. You are also required to discuss your needs with your instructor no later than fourteen (14) days after the start of this course.

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Emergency Assembly Point – Social Sciences Food Court

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