

# **Department of Economics Course Outline**

Term: Fall 2004

Course: Economics 201

[Introduction to Microeconomics]

**Section:** 01 & 04

**Time:** MWF 09:00 ? 09:50 [01]

MWF 15:00 ? 15:50 [04]

**Place:** MFH 162 [01]

ICT 102 [04]

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#### **Textbook(s):**

Mankiw, N. Gregory, Ronald D. Kneebone, Kenneth J. McKenzie, and Nicholas Rowe. (2002). *Principles of Microeconomics*. Second Canadian Edition.. Toronto: Thomson Nelson. **Required Text**]

Manouchehri, Shahram and Peter Fortuna. (2002), *Study Guide to Accompany "Principles of Microeconomics"*,latest edition, Toronto: Thomson Nelson. **[Highly Recommended Text]** 

## Book(s) on Reserve:

None

### **Blackboard:**

This course will make use of Blackboard - students who are registered in the course can log on at <a href="http://blackboard.ucalgary.ca/webapps/login">http://blackboard.ucalgary.ca/webapps/login</a>

#### **Course Outline:**

Course Content Text and Workbook

1.	Introduction	Chapters 1 - 3
2.	Supply and Demand	Chapters 4 - 9
3.	Consumer Theory	Chapter 21
4.	Producer Theory	Chapter 13
5.	Markets and Prices	Chapters 14?17
6.	Government Intervention and Market Failure	Chapters 10 - 12

#### **Grade Determination and Final Examination Details:**

There will be two midterm exams and a final exam. Each midterm will determine 25% of the final course grade and will consist of multiple choice and short answer questions (including some math and graphing).

The exams will consist of multiple choice and short answer/essay style questions. Some of the short answer style questions will consist of a graph (or a series of graphs) that will be accompanied by a written explanation. Short answer style questions will comprise of approximately 20% of the exam grade.

The final exam is scheduled by the Registrar?s Office during exam week. The exams may be held during the day, at night, or on a weekend. You should make arrangements early in the semester with employers or travel agents to ensure attendance at the exam. If attendance is not possible, withdrawal is advised.

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Midterm Examinations	25% each	50%				
Final Examination		50%				

Tests and final exams are marked on a numerical (percentage) basis, and then converted to letter grades. The course grade is then calculated using the weights indicated above. As a guide to determining standing, these letter grade equivalences will generally apply:

100%

A+	97 - 100	B+	82 - 86	C+	68 - 71	D+	56 - 60
A	91 - 96	В	77 - 81	C	65 - 67	D	50 - 55
A-	87 - 90	B-	72 - 76	C-	61 - 64	F	0 - 49

If for some reason, the distribution of grades determined using the aforementioned conversion chart appears to be abnormal, the instructor reserves the right to change the grade conversion chart if the instructor, *at the instructor?s discretion*, feels it necessary to more fairly represent student achievement.

#### **Important Dates:**

Midterm #1 Friday October 8th

Remembrance Day (University is Closed)

Thursday November 11

Midterm #2 Friday November 12th

Last Day of Classes Thursday December 9th

Final Exam Period Monday December 13 to Wed. December 22nd

Non-programmable calculators will be allowed during the writing of tests or final examinations.

There will be a Registrar scheduled final examination, lasting 2 hours.

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#### **Notes:**

- You need not receive a passing mark on any particular component of the course, but failure to submit any assignment or sit for any exam (without prior instructor approval or medical verification), will result in an "F" for the course.
- No "make up" exams will be given. If you find it necessary to miss an exam, notify me (in advance if possible) and produce a valid medical certificate. I will re-adjust the weighing of the missed exam to other exams in the course (the weighing of the missed exam will be at the instructor?s discretion). The only exception is where a student misses both midterms. In this situation, an exam covering the material dealt in those midterms will be given. Such an exam will be short answer with no multiple-choice questions.
- Make yourself familiar with the academic regulations in the University?s Calendar. For information on student misconduct, a good source can be found at: <a href="www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/2004/What/Fac/GS/GSSub\_BI.htm">www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/2004/What/Fac/GS/GSSub\_BI.htm</a> .
- Programmable (graphing) calculators are NOT to be used in any exam.
- Plagiarism: Students shall not submit words, ideas, images or data of another person as their own in any
  academic writing, essay, thesis, research, project or assignment in a course or program of study. Plagiarism and
  cheating are serious academic offences that will be dealt with severely in this
  course.

- Students seeking reappraisal of a piece of graded work (assignment, midterm test) should discuss their work with the instructor within *two weeks* of the work being returned to the class.
- 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.
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- If you need to contact security or use the Safewalk program, please call Campus Security at 220-5333.

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