

Department of Economics Course Outline

Term: Fall 2004

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Section:

Course: Economics 201

[Principles of Microeconomics]

TR 9:30-10:45 Place: ICT 102

(subject to change)

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These hours are subject to change

Textbook(s):

Time:

Mankiw, N. Gregory, Ronald D. Kneebone, and Kenneth J. McKenzie, and Nicholas Rowe, *Principles of Microeconomics*, latest edition, Thomson Nelson. [**Required Text**]

Manouchehri, Shahram and Peter Fortura, *Study Guide to Accompany ?Principles of Microeconomics?*, latest edition, Thomson Nelson. [Recommended Text]

Book(s) on Reserve:

None

Blackboard:

Students who are registered in this course can log on at http://blackboard.ucalgary.ca/webapps/login

Course Outline:

This course focuses on the principle the "markets are usually a good way to organize economic activity." (Some topics may be added or deleted depending on time constraints.)

Introduction Chapters 1 ? 2

Trade Chapter 3

Supply and Demand I: How Markets Work Chapters 4 ? 6

Supply and Demand II: Markets and Welfare Chapters 7 ? 9

The Economics of the Public Sector Chapters 10 ? 11

Alternative Market Structures Chapters 15 ? 17

Grade Determination and Final Examination Details:

There will be two mid-term tests (50 minutes each; 25% each) and a Registrar-scheduled final examination (2 hours; 50%).

First Midterm Test September 28, 2004

Second Midterm Test November 2, 2004

Tests and final exams are marked on a numerical (percentage) basis, 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:

| A+ | 97 - 100 | В | 77 - 81 | C- | 61 - 64 |
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A 91 - 96 B- 72 - 76 D+ 56 - 60

A- 87 - 90 C+ 68 - 71 D 50 - 55

B+ 82 - 86 C 65 - 67 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 is necessary to more fairly represent student achievement.

Students must pass the final examination to pass the course as a whole.

Calculators WILL NOT be allowed during the writing of tests or final examinations.

There will be a Registrar scheduled final examination, lasting 2 hours. It will be held in a gymnasium.

Tests and exams WILL involve multiple choice questions.

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Notes:

- Students seeking reappraisal of a piece of graded term work (assignment, mid-term test) should discuss their work with the Instructor within two weeks of the work being returned to the class.
- Make-up mid-term tests and deferred mid-term tests will not be given. In cases of documented illness, documented family emergency, or documented religious observance, extra weight will be given to the final examination.
- Mid-term tests and the final examination will not be given before the indicated dates.
- Students are required to read the assigned chapters in the textbook.

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