

COURSE SYLLABUS SSC306: INTERMEDIATE MICROECONOMICS SUMMER QUARTER 2024

QUARTER: SUMMER QUARTER 2024 COURSE SYLLABUS FOR: SSC306 INTERMEDIATE MICROECONOMICS CREDIT HOURS: 4 CREDITS CONTACT HOURS: 60 INSTRUCTOR: INSTRUCTOR EMAIL: INSTRUCTOR OFFICE HOURS:

COURSE DESCRIPTION: This is an intermediate course in microeconomic theory and its application. By the end of the course, students will be able to analyze a wide variety of economic problems and understand why societies use certain tools and the limitations of those tools for economic analysis. Topics include behavior of households, firms and industries under competitive and monopolistic condition; factors that influence production, price, and other decisions of the firm; application of the theory of economic efficiency and distribution of well-being, etc.

PREREQUISITES: SSC301 Principles of Microeconomics, MAC231 Analytic Geometry and Calculus I

TEXT: Microeconomics and Behavior, Robert H. Frank, McGraw-Hill Publishing, 9th ed. 2010

LATE WORK POLICY: All students are expected to submit homework assignments electronically on the date specified on the syllabus No late homework will be accepted and the

student will receive a "0" (zero) for the homework assignment. Should the student refuse to complete the assigned work for the class, it could result in the student failing the class. All work assigned is expected to be completed on the date assigned. The instructor reserves the right to alter the schedule as necessary. Please be sure to check your email/Moodle for any changes to the schedule.

PLAGIARISM AND COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT POLICY: Work that is found to be plagiarized receives a grade of zero and often causes a student to fail a class. Documentation of plagiarism is added to the student's academic file as a violation of accepted student conduct and is subject to disciplinary action. Plagiarism is the use of another person's exact words, or their ideas written in the student's words without giving the original author credit.

Plagiarism can result from any of the following:

- Quote material directly without using quotation marks.
- Paraphrase the original so that many of the phrases are the same as the original. A good rule is no more than 3 or 4 words in a row should be the same as the original.
- Copy the original sentence pattern, substitution synonyms for key words.
- Neglect to indicate the source of the original material.

ASSESSMENTS:

Content		
Problem Sets		15%
Exams		60%
Projects		15%
Participation		10%
Total		100%
COURSE GRADE:	A = 93%-100%	
	B = 85%-92%	
	C = 77%-84%	
	D = 70%-76%	
	F = below 70%	

TENTATIVE CLASS SCHEDULE:

(Subject to change)

Week: Date	Content Covered	Assignments & Assessment Due
Week 1:	Thinking Like an Economist Supply and Demand Rational Consumer Choice Individual and Market Demand Review and Quantitative Problems	
Week 2:	Rational Choice and Demand Theories Information, Choice with Uncertainty Departures from Rational Choice Models Production	Problem Set 1-Friday
Week 3:	Costs Perfect Competition Perfect Competition and Monopoly Monopoly	Exam 1-Friday Problem Set 2-Friday
Week 4:	Game Theory Oligopoly and Monopolistic Competition Labor Capital	Problem Set 3-Friday
Week 5:	Externalities, Property Rights General Equilibrium Government	Exam 2-Friday Video Presentation-Friday