

**ECON 3070-005**  
**Intermediate Microeconomics**  
Syllabus

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**Required Textbook:** Microeconomics, by David Besanko and Ronald R. Braeutigam (At least 4th Edition)

**Course Objectives**

In this course, we deal with the behavior of individual economic units. These units include consumers, workers, business firms (in fact, any individual that plays a role in the functioning of our economy). Microeconomics explains how and why these units make economic decisions. We will explore how these individual decisions affect the supply and demand for goods and services.

**Prerequisites**

Principles of Microeconomics (Econ 2010) or Introduction to Economics (ECON 1000) and Mathematics for Economists I and II (ECON 1078 & 1088) or MATH 1300 or MATH 1310 or equivalent

**Grading**

Your course grade will be determined by adding the points you received the two mid-term examinations, the final, the homework, and the class participation. Your course grade will be calculated as follows:

| Midterm 1 | Midterm 2 | Problem Sets | Final | Participation |
|-----------|-----------|--------------|-------|---------------|
| 20%       | 20%       | 20%          | 30%   | 10%           |

**Important Note:** Attendance will be taken daily and the participation will be based on your attendance. **If you miss 7 or more of the scheduled regular class meetings, you will automatically fail this course.** There are no exceptions to this rule, so you are totally responsible for all your missing classes.

**Examinations** All exams will take place in the regular class room on the dates listed below.

Mid-term Examination 1: Feb 21 (Thursday)

Mid-term Examination 2: Apr 2 (Tuesday)

Final Examination:

You should consider these dates to be firm and put them in your schedule. If there is any change, it will be announced sufficiently in advance. There will be no make-up exam. Make-ups for any exam will be allowed under compelling circumstances. Any make-up exam will be taken prior to the actual exam date, so you are required to make prior arrangements before the exam date.

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## Course Outline:

| Date   | Topics                           | Chapter   | Assignments |
|--------|----------------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Jan 15 | Reviewing syllabus & Math Review |           |             |
| Jan 17 | Math Review                      |           |             |
| Jan 22 | Supply and Demand Analysis       | Chapter 2 |             |
| Jan 24 | Supply and Demand Analysis       | Chapter 2 |             |
| Jan 29 | Preferences and Utility          | Chapter 3 |             |
| Jan 31 | Preferences and Utility          | Chapter 3 |             |
| Feb 5  | Consumer Choice                  | Chapter 4 | P.S. 1 Due  |
| Feb 7  | Consumer Choice                  | Chapter 4 |             |
| Feb 12 | The Theory of Demand             | Chapter 5 |             |
| Feb 14 | The Theory of Demand             | Chapter 5 |             |
| Feb 19 | Review for the first mid-term    |           | P.S. 2 Due  |
| Feb 21 | Mid-term 1                       |           |             |
| Feb 26 | Inputs and Production Functions  | Chapter 6 |             |
| Feb 28 | Inputs and Production Functions  | Chapter 6 |             |
| Mar 5  | Costs and Cost Minimization      | Chapter 7 |             |
| Mar 7  | Costs and Cost Minimization      | Chapter 7 |             |
| Mar 12 | Cost Curves                      | Chapter 8 | P.S. 3 Due  |
| Mar 14 | Cost Curves                      | Chapter 8 |             |

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