

**ECON 3070-050: Intermediate Microeconomic Theory**

**Fall 2017**

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Class Time and Location: TTH, 9:30-10:45 AM; ECON 117

Office Hours: 1:15-4:45 pm, Monday; 12:45-1:45 pm, Tuesday

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Course Description: Microeconomics studies the behavior of individual economic agents and their interactions. This course consists of four parts. Part 1 introduces the basics of microeconomic analysis, and serves as a quick review of some basic economic concepts. Part 2 studies consumer behavior and market demand. We will examine how a consumer may make optimal choices, how individual demands are formed, and how market demand can be derived. Part 3 discusses the firm's technologies, production functions and production costs. We shall see how firms can make the optimal input choices to minimize production costs. This lays the foundation for the study of behavior of firms under different forms of market structure. Part 4 integrates the previous materials into models of prices and outputs. We will also cover topics in game theory and business strategies, as well as discuss economic efficiency and public policy issues.

The presentation of the course is at the intermediate level. **In order to take this course, you must have passed an introductory course in economics or microeconomics**



8. Monopoly (continue): Capturing Surplus HW 10: pp. 527-529: #12.1, 12.2, 12.3, 12.4, 12.10	CH 12
9. Market Structure and Competition HW 11: pp. 568: #13.2, 13.4, 13.5.	Ch 13
10. Game Theory and Strategic Behavior HW 12: pp. 601-606: #14.1, 14.2, 14.3, 14.4, 14.5, 14.11, 14.12.	Ch 14
11. Risk and Information	Ch 15

**FINAL EXAM:** Saturday, Dec. 16, 1:30 PM; ECON 117

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