

ECONOMICS 306 – INTERMEDIATE MICROECONOMICS

Syllabus: Fall 2008

MW: 1:30pm-2:45pm; IN 133

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Course Objective: The student should have a mastery of supply and demand concepts, consumer choice theory (e.g. price and income changes, elasticity, and income and substitution effects), theories of the firm (e.g. competitive and monopolistic markets, input prices, price discrimination), and the application of these theories.

Prerequisites: ECON 103 and 104 and MATH 108 or 113

Required Texts:

1. *Microeconomics: Theory and Applications*, 9th edition. Edgar K. Browning and Mark A. Zupan.
2. *Economics in One Lesson*. Henry Hazlitt.

Grading:

There are a total of 100 points in the class. There are two midterms (each worth 25 points) and a final (worth 30 points). The weekly quizzes are worth 2.5 points each, so I will drop four out of the twelve quizzes. There will be **no** makeups for any quizzes.

Grading Scale:

A+	97+	B+	87-89	C+	77-79	D	60-69
A	93-96	B	83-86	C	73-76	F	Below 60
A-	90-92	B-	80-82	C-	70-72		

Class attendance is not mandatory, and it will not *directly* affect a student's grade. However, students who miss class usually perform worse on exams in addition to receiving zeros on quizzes. It is the responsibility of the student to be aware of changes to the class schedule or reading assignments.

Schedule of Weekly Reading Assignments

		Browning & Zupan	Hazlitt
August	25	1	1, 2
September	1	2	3, 4
	8	3	5, 6
	15	4	7, 8
	22	5	9, 10
	29	6	
October	6	Midterm 1	10, 11
	13	7	12, 13
	20	8	14, 15
	27	9	16, 17
November	3	11	18, 19
	10	12	
	17	Midterm 2	20, 21
	24	14	22, 23
	26	15	24
December	1	16	
	3	17	

Note: Subject to Change

Finally, I expect all students to be aware of and to follow strictly the University Honor Code, which you can access in the university catalog.