

ECON 2610 - Principles 1: Microeconomics

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Course Description

2610. Principles 1: Microeconomics. Introduction to the theory of markets, including the behavior of consumers and the conduct of private and public business enterprise. Effects of monopoly and competition on private and social welfare. The role of government in promoting the economic welfare of consumers, workers, and minorities. 3 s.h.

Course Readings

Group	Title	Author	ISBN
Optional	Principles for a Changing World	Eric Chiang	9781319418243

Date Topic Class Readings

8/24 – 8/31 What is Economics About?/Economic Research/Fundamentals Chapter 1

9/02 – 9/09 Comparative Advantage and International Trade Chapter 2

9/14 – 9/21 Supply and Demand Chapter 3

9/23 – 10/05 Markets and Government Chapter 4

10/12 – 10/14 Elasticity Chapter 5

10/19 – 10/21 Consumer Choice Chapter 6

10/26 - 11/16 Firm Choice/Profit Maximization Chapters 7 and 8

11/18 – 11/23 Monopoly Chapter 9

11/30 – 12/02 Oligopoly and Game Theory Chapter 10

The course readings are subject to change in the event of extenuating circumstances, research developments, current events, and/or to ensure better learning.

Schedule of Topics and Assignments

Week of	Reading(s)	Proposed Topic	Due/To Prepare for Class
8/24	Chapter 1	What is Economics About?/Economic Research	Pre-Class Assignment 1
8/31	Chapter 1	Economic Fundamentals	Pre-Class Assignment 2; Quiz 1
9/7	Chapter 2	Comparative Advantage and International Trade	Pre-Class Assignment 3; Quiz 2
9/14	Chapter 3	Supply and Demand	Pre-Class Assignment 4
9/21	Chapter 3	Supply and Demand	Pre-Class Assignment 5; Quiz 3
9/28	Chapter 4	Markets and Government	Pre-Class Assignment 6; Quiz 4
10/5	Chapter 4	Review and Midterm	Problem Set 1 and Midterm Exam
10/12	Chapter 5	Elasticity	Pre-Class Assignment 7; Quiz 5
10/19	Chapter 6	Consumer Choice	Pre-Class Assignment 8; Quiz 5
10/26	Chapter 7	Firm Choice	Pre-Class Assignment 9
11/2	Chapter 8	Perfect Competition	Quiz 6
11/9	Chapter 8	Invisible Hand	Pre-Class Assignment 10
11/16	Chapter 9	Monopoly	Pre-Class Assignment 11; Quiz 7
11/23	Chapter 10	Oligopoly	Pre-Class Assignment 12
11/30	Chapter 10	Game Theory	Pre-Class Assignment 13; Quiz 8
12/7	N/A		FINAL EXAM

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