



## DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

### FALL 2009 SYLLABUS

ECON 1123-010  
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OFFICE HOURS: MW 10:30-11:30AM & by appointment

#### TEXTS

Microeconomics, 6<sup>th</sup> Edition by David Colander ISBN: 007254936X McGraw Hill Publishers.

#### OPTIONAL ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Microeconomic Theory Workbook, Third Edition by Alexander Holmes.

#### CLASS STRUCTURE

The class will meet two hours a week for lectures (Mondays and Wednesdays). In addition, you are required to enroll in and attend a one-hour discussion session, which will meet one hour per week. These discussion sessions are an important part of your over- all grade. The discussion is designed to (1) help you with any questions you may have over lecture material, (2) provide a workshop in which you will solve practical problems using the information from the lectures and the text, and (3) help you prepare for exams.

#### EXAMS AND GRADING PROCEDURES

There will be two one-hour exams during the semester and one comprehensive final examination. The two one-hour exams will be given during regularly scheduled class periods and will count for 200 points of your total grade (100 points each). The exams will be multiple choice and short answer. The comprehensive final will count for 200 points of the final grade. The remaining 100 points will be determined by your performance in the discussion session. Your discussion instructor is responsible for this portion of your grade.

*SPECIAL NOTE:* Any student who has a disability that may prevent him or her from fully demonstrating his or her abilities should contact me personally as soon as possible to make necessary accommodations.

#### MAKE-UP POLICY

There will be NO MAKE-UPS given without an official, written University excuse. Anyone missing an exam or quizzes without an official excuse will receive a zero grade. For those with an official excuse, a single **comprehensive** make-up exam and/or quiz

will be given **WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 9, 2009 at 3:00 PM**. You will need written permission from Professor Holmes to be admitted. Get your admittance slip immediately after missing the exam or quiz.

### **DROP POLICY**

You will be allowed to drop this course with a WP regardless of performance until, OCTOBER 30, 2009. This is after you have taken your first exam and received your grade. Under no circumstances may a student drop after OCTOBER 30, 2009 unless approved by the Dean. Students may not change to audit status at any time during the semester.

### **COURSE OUTLINE**

I. Consumer Theory: Text, Chapters 1-8 and Unit I & II of the discussion manual.

**(First one-hour exam, SEPTEMBER 30)**

II. Theory of Cost and Production: Text, Chapters 9 & 10 and Unit III of discussion manual.

III. Model of Perfect Competition: Text, Chapter 11 and Unit IV of discussion manual.

**(Second one-hour exam, NOVEMBER 4)**

IV. Model of Monopoly and Models of Imperfect Competition: Text, Chapters 12 & 13 and Unit V & VI of discussion manual.

**COMPREHENSIVE FINAL: FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2009 8:00AM – 10:00AM.**