

# Syllabus

## Intermediate Microeconomic Theory

ECON 3070-003

*Fall 2012*

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### COURSE DESCRIPTION

In this course, we will learn how to extend those concepts you first learned in your introductory courses with graphical and analytical tools, as well as intuition. We begin with a detailed

during class, reserving personal conversations for before and after class, and being courteous in interactions with others.

### **REQUIRED TEXT**

Besanko, David and Ronald Braeutigam. *Microeconomics*. 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, 2011.

This text is available through the school bookstore. There is a study guide available to accompany the textbook. You may wish to purchase the study guide if you would like extra practice solving problems, but doing so is not required.

### **PREREQUISITES**

Economics Prerequisites: ECON 1000 or ECON 2010

Mathematics Prerequisites: ECON 1078 and ECON 1088 OR MATH 1300 OR MATH 1310 OR MATH 1081 OR MATH 1080 and MATH 1090 and MATH 1100 OR APPM 1350 OR equivalent

\*This course will require the use of basic mathematical concepts including college-level algebra and calculus. If you have concerns or do not meet these prerequisites please see me immediately.

### **Laptop Policy**

*There is to be no laptop usage in this class at any time, for any reason (this includes Ipads and other tablets).* The only exception to this rule is if disability services mandate that you must be allowed to use a laptop for note taking purposes. In this case, an official letter from disability services is required.

### **ATTENDANCE**

You are all adults and I consider it a waste of precious class time to take attendance each class. That being said, you will not do well in this course unless you attend each day. As discussed below, there are no make-up opportunities for team assignments, your paper, or exams (nor will these be accepted late). Missing any one of these graded assignments will result in a grade of zero for that assignment. Note that team assignments will **not** be warned of in advance.

To further encourage your presence in class, I will take attendance three times during the semester. For each time you are present, I will add 2% to your final exam score.

### **EMAIL**

I encourage you to email me with any questions or



covered in lecture and/or in the assigned readings will be fair game for the exams. **The final exam is cumulative** —this means you will be tested on the material from the entire semester.


## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

### **Students with Disabilities**

If you qualify for accommodations because of a disability, please submit to me a letter from

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