UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO AT BOULDER

Department of Economics Syllabus

Economics 3070-006 Intermediate Microeconomic Theory Spring 2007

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Email

<u>lohj@colorado.edu</u>. This is the best way to get in touch with me. During the week, I will do my best to respond within 24 hours to any queries regarding the course. If I don't, it is fair to assume that I didn't receive the message and it should be resent.

Office Hours

Monday and Wednesday, 2:00PM ~ 3:30PM, or by appointment. Office hours are held for your benefit. It is an opportunity to come in and ask questions in a one-on-one or small group setting. Everyone is highly encouraged to attend office hours as often as they feel necessary to help master the material of the course. If there is any reason that you cannot make these office hours, I am willing to meet you by appointment.

Class Meeting Time

Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 1PM ~ 1:50PM, Economics Building, Room 117.

Course Website

http://ucsu.colorado.edu/~lohj. Relevant materials to the course will be posted here.

Course Description

This course introduces the theoretical framework for analyzing the economic behavior of individual decision-makers, such as consumers, workers, firms, and managers. The techniques presented in this course are used by almost every economist and can be applied to many applied fields including international economics, environmental economics, labor economics, and industrial organization.

Textbook

The required textbook is "Microeconomics," the 2nd edition, by David Besanko and Ronald R. Braeutigam.

Grading

The various components of the course will be weighted as flows to determine your final grade:

Assignments	15%
Midterm Exam 1	25%
Midterm Exam 2	25%
Final Exam	35%

The midterm exams will each be graded on a 50-point scale, and the final exam will be graded on a 120-point scale. They will be based on the lectures and the assignments. Each assignment will be graded on a scale from 0 to 3: zero point for not handing it in, 1 point for poor performance, 2 points for average performance, and 3 points for outstanding performance. The lowest two assignment scores will be dropped before the course grades are determined at the end of the semester. You are encouraged to work on the problem sets in small groups. However, you have to turn in your own problem set.

Missed Assignments & Exams

Late assignments will not be accepted since the solutions will be posted on the course website shortly after the assignments are due. You may, however, miss two assignments without penalty since your lowest two assignment scores will be dropped.

No make-up exams will be given. If there is a proven emergency or other unusual circumstances that has been discussed with me prior to an exam, no make-up exam will be given but your grades will be reweighed.

Tutoring Resources

Department of Economics provides a free drop-in tutorial lab for undergraduates enrolled in introductory and intermediate Economics courses at CU-Boulder. The details can be fund at http://www.colorado.edu/Economics/undergrad/tutorial_lab.html (to be updated soon). If you prefer one-on-one tutorial, Department of Economics also keeps a list of graduate students who are willing to tutor the undergrad students in different topics. The list can be obtained from the main office in Economics building, room 212.

Tentative Course Schedule

Date Day Topic		Day	Торіс	Readings	Assignments
Jan	16	Mon	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day		

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