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M/T/W/R 10:00AM – 10:45AM (or by appointment)

M/T/W/R/F 11:00AM – 1:00PM

DMH 149A

May be taken concurrently or prior to Econ 1A.

ategory: Area D1: Social Science, Human Behavior

ch as syllabus, handouts, assignment instructions, etc. can be found on the Canvas
t System course login website at http://sjsu.instructure.com

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checking Canvas regularly. I recommend downloading the app as well as bookmarking the page in yo
browser. I will update grades in Canvas regularly.

Course Description

Catalog description: Allocation of resources and distribution of income as affected by the workings
system and by government policies

Note: This class is a four

GE Learning Outcomes

Economics 1B is a general education course that meets the requirements for area D1 in the social
Students learn to apply microeconomic theory, to evaluate social information, draw upon different
view, and formulate policy implications. Finally, students are able to place social events in an appro
context. The GE writing requirement will be satisfied by several written assignments. Details will be announced
after the first midterm of the semester (see the schedule on pages 5-6).

Course Learning Outcomes

- x Incentives Matter (law of demand; law of supply; rational decision makers weigh marginal co
  marginal benefits; the power of self-interest)
- x Opportunity Costs (sunk costs; production possibilities; the free-lunch fallacy; tradeoffs in
  consumption and production; gains from trade; comparative advantage)
- x Supply and Demand (understanding the S&D model as a representation of individual choices i
  exchange based on individual preferences, knowledge and circumstances; ability to examine c
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Library Liaison

The librarian for the Economics Department is Christina Bailey. She can be reached at Christy.@sjsu.edu or (408) 808-2422.

Course Requirements and Assignments

This course will include 2 midterms and a final exam. There will be 10 quizzes; each quiz is worth 1% of your overall course grade.

This course will also include 2 writing assignments. The first writing assignment is roughly half the length of the second. I will describe and explain my expectations for these assignments during the semester. I will read each paper 3 times: once for grammar, once for content, and once for both. I expect you to apply my feedback.

Grading Information

There will be one homework assignment per chapter; this will be completed using MindTap. I expect all homework assignments to be turned in by the scheduled due date. Any assignments turned in late will lose 10% of possible points per day it is late; after the third day, you will receive a 0 for any homework not turned in. To submit homework assignments more than one day late, you must email me and request I extend the due date. Assignments submitted within 24 hours of the due date will automatically have 10% of the possible points deducted from your score. This grading policy also applies to the writing assignments.

Exams and quizzes will consist of multiple choice, true/false, matching, and graphing questions and will take place in class. Quizzes will cover material already discussed in class and/or material in the readings assigned that day/week. The Final Exam will be partially comprehensive: approximately 40% will cover material from Midterm 2. You will need a Scantron 815-E for each quiz and a Scantron 882-E for each exam.

The first writing assignment will be assigned and explained before Midterm 1. Writing assignments will be submitted in class and on Canvas; students who fail to submit either the digital or physical copy will not earn higher than 50% of the available points for the assignment.

Your numerical grade will be based on the following categories and weights:

Homework (1 assignment per chapt.	15%
Midterm 1	15%
Midterm 2	15%
Final Exam	30%
Paper 1	5%
Paper 2 (w/outline)	10%
Quizzes	10%

I do not use a grading curve. Your final numerical grade will be the weighted average of your scores in the above categories, and your corresponding letter grade will be assigned as follows:

Percent	Grade	Percent	Grade	Percent	Grade
97.5% -100%	A+	93% -97.49%	A	90% -92.9%	A-
87.5% -89.9%	B+	83% -87.49%	B	80% -82.9%	B-
77.5% -79.9%	C+	73% -77.49%	C	70% -72.9%	C-
67.5% -69.9%	D+	63% -67.49%	D	60% -62.9%	D-
0% -59.9%	F				

To earn GE credit for this

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The schedule is subject to change with fair notice through Canvas.

Course Schedule

Week	Date	Topics

Week	Date	Topics	Readings and Due Dates
	8/3	PriceSearcher Markets with Low Entry Barriers	Ch. 10
5	8/6		Ch. 10 con't Paper 2 due in class and online by 1:00AM
	8/7	PriceSearcher Markets with High Entry Barriers	Ch. 11
	8/8	The Economics of Political Action "Bootleggers and Baptists"	Ch. 6
	8/9	Final exam review	Ch. 10, 11, 6 HW due 8/9 by 11:00PM
	8/10	Final Exam	11:00AM – 1:00PM