

San José State University
College of Social Sciences/ Economics Department
Econ 101 Intermediate Microeconomics Section 01, Spring 2019

Course and Contact Information

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Classroom DMH 358

Prerequisites Econ 1B with a grade of C or higher

Course Format

This is a four-unit course. You are expected to complete an average of 12 hours of work per week inclusive of lectures, assignments, and activities. This syllabus has learning objectives, rigor, class meeting times, and assignments commensurate with the expectation of 12 hours of work per week across 15 weeks. Contrast this with a traditional three-unit course where, you are expected to complete 9 hours of work per week inclusive.

Econ 101 includes instruction and evaluation of problem-solving techniques, in-class presentations, and weekly team assignments worth the equivalent of a mid-term. All students must commit to a minimum of 2-hours per week working, face-to-face with your group in addition to a minimum of 1-hour per week working with your group via online discussion. The online discussion is necessary to coordinate workloads and to make the 2 hours of in-person time as productive as possible.

This is not a flipped-course but there is an EXTENSIVE amount of self-directed work that you MUST do outside of class before meeting with your group and before attending class. In class, you are randomly called upon to present assigned questions. Each group gets a set of assigned questions that they have to research, resolve, and be ready to present to the class. Connect with me if you want to preview your response. Each mid-term exam comes directly from the set of assigned questions.

MYSJSU Messaging I am using Canvas to connect with you, post problem sets, articles, and to host discussions. Make sure you connect with someone in the class to get the material you miss when absent. Do not email me for copies of handouts or notes on what was discussed. You need to work with each other – engage in mutually beneficial, bilateral exchange of assignments, lectures, and learning. I also send emails out to the class via MYSJSU so keep your email address current. When you write to me ALWAYS put

Course Requirements and Assignments

See detailed weekly Schedule below. “Success in this course is based on the expectation that students will spend, for each unit of credit, a minimum of 45 hours over the length of the course (normally three hour

Team In-Class Presentations: 50 points total, 25 points each. There will be 2 in-class questions that each group must present: one assigned question for Consumer Theory, one assigned question for Producer theory. I reserve the right to add another 25 point presentation on Markets if time permits.

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Classroom Protocol

You are strongly encouraged to ask questions at all times. In class, you may be asked to look up the answer or to a question but otherwise all electronic communication, earbuds, cell phones, laptops etc. should be turned off and stored. **Arrive on time.** If you are selected to present and you are running late you will be counted as missing the presentation.

University Policies (Required)

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