

Syllabus
Econ 1B-81, Principles of Economics: Microeconomics
San Jose State University
Online - Asynchronous
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Course Description:

Welcome to Econ 1B, Principles of Microeconomics!

This course provides an introduction to microeconomics. Microeconomics is the branch of economics that deals with the decision making of individuals and firms. The main goal of this course is to provide students with the tools and basic understanding of microeconomic principles necessary to analyze economic phenomenon and economic policy decisions in real world situations. Topics will include, but are not limit to, the concept of scarcity, opportunity cost, gains from trade, supply and demand, elasticities, tax policies, externalities, costs, profits and various models of competition (e.g. Monopolies).

Required Material:

Microeconomics 8th Edition
Author(s): Hubbard, R. Glenn | O'Brien, Anthony

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Grading:

Your course grade will be determined as follows:

Discussion	10%
Homework	30%
Mid-term 1	20%
Mid-term 2	20%
Final Exam	20%

Important Dates:

January 26th	Wed	First Day of Instruction
March 2nd	Wed	Mid-term 1(Online)
Mar 28-Apr 1	Mon-Fri	Spring Recess
April 13th	Wed	Mid-term 2 (Online)
May 19 th , 5-10pm	Thurs	Final Exam (Online)

Tentative Topic Outline

Book: Microeconomics, 7th Edition ©2019, Glenn Hubbard, Anthony Patrick O'Brien

Tentative Schedule

PART I: INTRODUCTION

Jan 26th	1. Economics: Foundations and Models
Feb 2nd	2. Trade-offs, Comparative Advantage, and the Market System
Feb 9th	3. Where Prices Come From: The Interaction of Demand and Supply
Feb 16th	4. Economic Efficiency, Government Price Setting, and Taxes
Feb 23rd	4. Economic Efficiency, Government Price Setting, and Taxes
March 2nd	Mid-term 1

PART II: MARKETS IN ACTION: POLICY AND APPLICATIONS