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# ECO 200Y - MICROECONOMIC THEORY

Course web site: Aplia (This is also the website that keeps your assignment records. See below for details)

**TEXTBOOK:** <u>Microeconomics</u> by Besanko and Braeutigam (3<sup>th</sup> edition).

MARKING SCHEME: The final course mark will be based on the following:

#### Best three out of four midterm tests, 15% each for a total for 45% of the final course mark.

Each term test is 2 hours long. Two of these term tests are in the Fall term and two are in the Spring Term.

Only your three best midterm tests will count towards the 45% of the final grade. If you miss a midterm test for any reason, that test will be counted as your worse test and be excluded from the three best midterm grades. If you miss two midterm tests, one test will get a grade of zero and be counted as one of the three best midterm tests. If you miss a first test, and then also miss a second test with a doctor's note, the first test with a score of zero will count in your final grade.

Midterm tests are open book tests. You can bring your text book, notes and whatever aids that you find useful.

# Graded assignments, 15% of the final course mark.

The problem sets are on "http://www.aplia.com". See the instructions below on Aplia to get started. Each nontest week has one or more assignments. Each week's assignments have the same total value (independent of how many problems or assignments in a particular week). Your problem set grade is the sum of the grades you get for your best *fifteen weeks* problem sets. So a week's worth of your best fifteen weeks is 1% of the final grade. Assignment due dates are posted on the assignments. These due dates are firm. The computer does not accept late assignments. If you fail to submit an assignment for whatever reason, including computer malfunction, you will get a zero for that assignment. Since your problem set grade is based on your best *fifteen weeks* worth of assignments, you will get zero for the missing weeks.

# Final examination, 40% of the final course mark.

This exam will cover the entire course material. This exam is common to all the 200Y sections. This is also an open book test. Students who miss the final exam must petition the Faculty of Arts and Science for permission to write a deferred examination in the summer.

**<u>TUTORIALS</u>**: A teaching assistant will conduct tutorials on Wednesday for an hour after lecture, starting from the second week. The tutorial will go over forthcoming problems from Aplia and also answer general questions.

**AID CENTRE:** To get help from aid centre, you need to email your TA before 12am of the day of visiting; otherwise, there will be no TA available at aid centre. Time, location and TA's email TBA.

<u>e-TA</u>: You can also email your question to your TA. To have your questions answered through email, you need to describe clearly what the question is and show the efforts you have taken. TA's email TBA.

# **IMPORTANT DATES:**

Oct 20	First term test (covers chapters 2-5)
Dec 8	Second term test (covers chapters 6-10)
Feb 16	Third term test (covers chpts 11, 12, 15, 16)
Apr 6	Fourth term test (covers chpts 14,13, 17)

# COURSE OUTLINE AND TUTORIAL ASSIGNMENTS

This is an outline of the chapters to be covered in this course. Some chapters may not be covered in their entirety.

Date	Chapter
Sept 15	1,2
Sept 22	2,3
Sept 29	3,4
Oct 6	4,5
Oct 13	5, pre-test review
Oct 20	First term test – covers chapters $2 - 5$ . Test is open book.
Nov 3	6,7
Nov 10	7,8
Nov 17	8,9
Nov 24	9,10
Dec 1	10, pre-test review
Dec 8	Second term test – covers chapters 6-10. Test is open book.
Jan 12	11
Jan 19	12
Jan 26	15
Feb 2	15,16
Feb 9	16, pre-test review
Feb 16	Third term test – covers chapters 11, 12, 15, 16. Test is open book.
Feb 23	Reading week
Mar 2	14
Mar 9	14
Mar 16	13
Mar 23	17
Mar 30	17, pre-test review
Apr 6	Fourth term test – covers chapters 14, 13, 17. Test is open book.



# Student Registration and Payment Instructions

Course Name: ECO200Y, Sec L5101, Fall 2010 Start Date: 09/13/2010 Instructor: Luhang Wang Course Key: 6BF7-7SAP-FECP

#### You can begin working on your homework as soon as you register!

- In this course, you will use a textbook and Aplia's website.
- In most cases, you can save money if you buy Aplia and your textbook together. See payment options below.
- You will have access to a digital version of your textbook using Aplia.

# Registration

#### If you have never used Aplia before...

- 1. Connect to http://www.aplia.com.
- 2. Click the **Create a New Account** link and choose **Student Account**. You will then enter your course key: **6BF7-7SAP-FECP**. Continue following the instructions to complete your registration.

#### If you have used Aplia before ...

- 1. Connect to http://www.aplia.com.
- Sign in with your usual e-mail address and password and enter your Course Key when prompted: 6BF7-7SAP-FECP. If you are not prompted for a new Course Key, click the Enroll in a New Course button at the top of your My Courses page to enroll in a new Aplia course. Enter your Course Key when you are prompted.

\* You will have different payment options after you register for your course. If you choose to pay later, you can use Aplia without paying until 11:59 PM on 10/03/2010.

# Payment

#### **Option 1: Digital Textbook with Aplia Access**

• From Aplia: Purchase access to your course from Aplia's website for \$71.48 USD.

#### Option 2: Physical Textbook with Aplia Access (also includes digital textbook)

• From Bookstore: Purchase an Aplia Access Card and a physical book together as a bundle from your campus bookstore.

\* If you purchased an Aplia Access Card from a bookstore, enter the Access Card's payment code on Aplia's website as payment for your Aplia course.

\* You will have access to your digital textbook up until the end of this course.