

## **IVY TECH STATE COLLEGE - COURSE SYLLABUS**

Spring 2017

COURSE NUMBER AND TITLE: ECON 202 - Principles of Microeconomics

**PREREQUISITES:** ENGL 111 English composition and demonstrated competency through appropriate assessment or earning a grade of "C" or better in MATH 015 Fundamentals of Algebra I or MATH 023 Essentials of Algebra I or MATH 050 Basic Algebra or MATH 080 Mathematics principles with Algebra.

**DIVISION:** Liberal Arts and Sciences **PROGRAM:** Liberal Arts and Sciences

**CREDIT HOURS: 3** 

**CONTACT HOURS:** Lecture 3

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**REQUIRED TEXT:** Microeconomics, 20<sup>th</sup> ed., McConnell, Brue, Flynn. You may purchase the Connect Access Code from the bookstore; the code will provide access to the textbook in e-book format and the Connect digital platform.

**CATALOG DESCRIPTION:** A descriptive and analytical study of the market economy and how it allocates resources. Emphasis is placed on consumer behavior, market structure, pricing, and distribution and determination of wealth and income.

**MAJOR COURSE LEARNING OBJECTIVES:** Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be expected to:

- 1. Apply the production possibilities frontier to concepts of scarcity and marginal analysis.
- 2. Demonstrate how supply and demand interact to determine market prices.
- 3. Apply the concept of elasticity.
- 4. Discuss the origin and law of demand
- 5. Discuss the origin of supply in resource productivity and cost.
- 6. Apply supply and demand to analyze the efficiency of markets.
- 7. Analyze how market forces influence the firm's output and price decisions under pure competition.
- 8. Discuss and calculate the effects the tax system has on markets.
- 9. Compare the outcome of the perfectly competitive model with those derived from imperfect competition.
- 10. Demonstrate how market forces influence retail prices.
- 11. Use economic tools to investigate the theory of consumer choice.
- 12. Identify the source and nature of market and government failures.
- 13. Discuss factors influencing the international sector.

**COURSE CONTENT:** Topical areas of study include:

Market Structures Elements of the Market Economy

Scarcity Supply and Demand Elasticity Productivity Concepts

Private Sector Public Sector

Global Economy

**METHOD OF INSTRUCTIONAL DELIVERY:** The course will be presented as an on campus classroom lecture. The textbook will serve as a basic guide to the course.

**REQUIRED EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES:** Pen/pencil and paper. Calculators may be allowed for use during tests and quizzes. Students should bring the textbook to each class. Most chapters will be assigned and are expected to be read prior to class.

**EVALUATION:** This class is broken down into four modules each worth 200 points. Each module will contain an exam (150 points), homework (25 points), and participation (25 points). Exams may contain material from lectures and from the text that has not been presented in the text or in class. Exams will be multiple choice, true/false, and/or short answer. Lastly, there will be two papers of 2-3 pages (100 points each). A student may choose to allot 175 points per exam instead of assigning any points to the homework.

	Module 1	Module 2	Module 3	Module 4
Chapters	1,2,3,4,5	6,7,8,9,10,11,12	13,14,15,16,17,18	19,20,21,22,23,24,25
Exam	/150	/150	/150	/150
Homework	/25	/25	/25	/25
Participation	/25	/25	/25	/25
Subtotal	/200	/200	/200	/200

<b>Module Total</b>	/800
Paper 1	/100
Paper 2	/100
Total	/1000

**GRADING SCALE:** A 90% and above

B 80% to 89.9% C 67.5% to 79.9% D 55% to 67.4% F less than 54.9%

MISSED TEST POLICY: The school policy is NO MAKE-UP TESTS. If you are absent when a test is given in class, you will receive a grade of zero (0) for the test. If you miss a single test for a legitimate, documented reason, you will be allowed to replace the one test missed with the average of your other test scores. Additional missed tests will be scored as zeros. This policy does not apply to the final exam. All students must take the Final or receive a score of zero for the Final.

**WRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS:** All written assignments must be turned in on assigned due dates. Points will be deducted for late assignments, and any assignment turned in more than two weeks late will not be accepted. All papers must be formatted in APA style, and include an appropriate cover page. Handwritten papers will not be accepted. Loose pages will not be accepted. All papers must be secured with either a staple or a paper clip. Do not use plastic covers folders, or binders for any papers.

**ATTENDANCE:** It is the student's responsibility to sign the attendance sheet legibly. Failure to do so will result in an absence for that day.

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If you require assistance during an emergency evacuation, notify your instructor immediately. Look for evacuation procedures posted in your classroom.

**TENTATIVE COURSE OUTLINE:** Timing of topics and weekly assignments are subject to change at the option of the instructor. Changes will be announced in class. Following the initial meeting, students are expected to have reviewed assigned materials before presentation in class.

## WEEK OF:

5/8

1/16 Chapters 1 and 2 1/23 Chapters 2 and 3; Chapters 4 and 5 1/30 2/6 Test #1; Chapter 6 2/13 Chapters 7 and 8 2/20 Chapters 9 and 10 2/27 Chapters 11 and 12 3/6 Test #2 (paper 1 due) 3/13 (Spring Break 3/11-3/17 – No Classes) 3/20 Chapters 13 and 14 3/27 Chapters 15 and 16 4/3 Chapters 17 and 18 4/10 Chapter 18; Test #3 4/17 Chapters 19 and 20 Chapter 21 and 22 4/24 5/1 Chapters 23 and 24

Chapter 25; Test #4 (Final, paper 2 due)