

ECON 100A
Microeconomics Analysis
SECTION SYLLABUS, FALL 2015

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Sections

Time and Location:

- 102 DIS: MW 9-10A, 123 WHEELER
- 104 DIS: MW 1-2P, 3107 ETCHEVERRY

This course is an introduction to the economic analysis of the behavior of consumers and firms, market price determination, and the allocation of resources. During sections we will discuss the handouts, review difficult concepts covered in lectures and focus on technical tools that you need for solving exercises and the exam. All of the section material and announcements will be posted on **bCourses**. **Attendance** to sections is mandatory since there will be 7 unannounced “pop” quizzes (10% of your total course grade). You should attend the section in which you are registered, not my other section.

Office Hours

During office hours you are welcome to ask any question related to lecture and section material or problem sets. Your questions will be addressed on a first come, first served basis. Some deviations from this rule are possible if I find them convenient. Note that I won't be able to provide you with exact homework solutions during my office hours, but I will provide some guidance. If you have time conflicts with my office hours you are welcome to attend other GSI's office hours.

Homeworks

In the scope of this course you will have 5 problem sets. Problem sets give you the opportunity to improve your understanding of the material and prepare yourself for the final exam. You are encouraged to work in groups, but everyone has to turn in an individual problem set. Direct copying from someone else's work is not acceptable, nor is looking at previous solutions that may be available. I will bring cases of suspected copying to Prof. Dubé's attention. There will be no regrades on the problem sets. Submit your problem set in class on the date it is due. Late homeworks will not be accepted (unless you have a permission from Prof. Dubé). If you are unable to submit your homework on time yourself, try to ask your classmates to do it or send me an e-mail explaining your situation in advance.

E-mail Policy

Please write “[ECON 100A]” in the subject field if you are sending me a course-related message. Use e-mail for the purposes that were mentioned anywhere above or below and for other questions that require short answers (ideally Yes or No). If you expect a long answer, please wait until section or come to my office hours.

Other Policies

- **Enrollment Issues:** If you have any problems with enrollment, please contact the Head GSI Patrick Lapid (headgsi@econ.berkeley.edu). I have no authority over these matters.
- **Special Accommodations:** If you need disability-related accommodations in this class, if you have emergency medical information you wish to share with me, or if you need special arrangements in case the building must be evacuated, please see me privately after class or in my office. You can also contact Prof. Dubé and the Disabled Students Program (<http://www.dsp.berkeley.edu/>). You will need a Letter of Accommodation from DSP which should be sent directly to the professor.
- **Electronic devices:** Turn off the sound on your electronic devices before class. Laptops are permitted, but try not to distract me or your neighbors.
- **Tutoring Resources:** The Department of Economics has tutors who will be available to help you. More information is available at <https://www.econ.berkeley.edu/undergrad/home/tutoring>.
- **Contacting You:** Prof. Dubé and the GSIs will use the e-mail address for you that we get from Bear Facts. Be sure your email address registered with CalNet Directory is correct, your spam filters are not set too tight, and that your inbox is not full.
- **Feedback:** If you have suggestions on how to improve sections or office hours, you are welcome to talk to me after class, during office hours, or leave your anonymous suggestions in my mailbox (612 Evans). Your honest and constructive feedback will be very beneficial to my development as a GSI.

Academic Honesty

Remember Berkeley’s Honor Code: “As a member of the UC Berkeley community, I act with honesty, integrity, and respect for others”. The expectation is that you will adhere to this code.