

**ECON3122 – 001**  
**Intermediate Microeconomics**  
**Fall 2020**

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**Course Description:** Microeconomic analysis with emphasis on consumer and producer theory. More specifically, the course will focus on preferences, utility maximization/optimal consumption, optimal production and pricing strategies. Depending on time, I will also cover topics in game theory.

**Course Objectives:** The objective of this course is to provide rigorous treatment of a modern microeconomic theory.

**Reading:** The course will closely follow my notes which will be given in class.

The recommended but not required text is *Intermediate Microeconomics with Calculus*, Hal R. Varian.

**Grading:** There will be a series of homework sets (ungraded, solutions will be posted), seven quizzes (the two lowest quizzes will be dropped), and two exams. All exams are closed book. The breakdown of grades is as follows:

Quizzes:	30%
Exam 1:	35%
Exam 2:	35%

Please make sure that you will be able to attend class on all exam dates. Missed exams will not be rescheduled, however the weight of the final exam can be scaled up proportionally (a cumulative final will be given in that case). The final exam will only be excused without penalty if the absence is due to a verifiable emergency or some other reason that the university officially recognizes as legitimate, otherwise the score will be a zero.

**Other Issues:**

**Academic Integrity:** Students have the responsibility to know and observe the requirements of The UNC Charlotte Code of Student Academic Integrity (See UNC Charlotte Catalog). The code forbids cheating, fabrication or falsification of information, multiple submissions of academic work, plagiarism, abuse of academic materials, and academic integrity, and complicity in academic dishonesty. Any special requirements or permission regarding academic integrity in this course will be stated by the instructor, and are binding on the students. Academic evaluations in this course include a judgment that the student's work is free from academic dishonesty of any type; and grades in this course therefore should be and will be adversely affected by academic dishonesty. Students who violate the code can be expelled from UNCC. The normal penalty for a first offense is zero credit on the work involving dishonesty and further substantial reduction of the course grade. In almost all cases, the course grade is reduced to U. Copies of the code can be obtained from the Dean of Student's Office. Standards of academic integrity will be enforced in this course. Students are expected to report cases of academic dishonesty to the course instructor.

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**Course Outline (tentative):**

DATE	CLASS	TOPIC
	1, 2	Supply and Demand Basics (Ch. 1)
	3, 4	Preferences, Utility (Chs. 3, 4)
	5, 6	Budgets, Choice, Demand (Chs. 2, 5, 6, 15)
	7, 8	Budgets, Choice, Demand (Chs. 2, 5, 6, 15)
	9, 10	Budgets, Choice, Demand (Chs. 2, 5, 6)
	11, 12	Uncertainty (Ch. 12)
	13, 14	Uncertainty (Ch. 12)
<b>02.27.2020</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>Exam 1</b>
	16, 17	Technology, Cost Min, Cost Curves (Chs. 19,21,22)
	18, 19	Technology, Cost Min, Cost Curves (Chs. 19,21,22)
	20	Profit Maximization (Ch.20)
<b>03.26.2020</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>Cancelled class</b>
	22, 23	Profit Maximization (Ch.20)
	24, 25	Market Power, Game Theory (Chs. 25, 26, 28, 29, 30)
	26, 27	Market Power, Game Theory (Chs. 25, 26, 28, 29, 30)
	28, 29	Market Power, Game Theory (Chs. 25, 26, 28, 29, 30)
	30	Market Power, Game Theory (Chs. 25, 26, 28, 29, 30)
<b>05.07.2020</b>	<b>Exam Week</b>	<b>Exam 2</b>