

Economics 101 Microeconomics

Ken Burdett: kennethb@ssc.upenn.edu

The purpose of the course is to introduce students to some important ideas that make up the foundations of microeconomics. The course text is Microeconomics: Theory and Applications with Calculus, by Jeffrey M. Perloff. We will pretty well work through the text systematically. I will attempt in the lectures to cover those parts of a chapter that I feel are conceptually difficult. If I do not cover all topics covered in Chapters. I will inform you at the time.

Your grade will be determined as follows:

Three midterm examinations: (25% each)

Two take home examinations (7.5% each)

A research essay (10%)

Note, there is no final examination. You will be told about the research essay in the first lecture..

Week 1 (1/13): Chapters 1 and 2

Week 2 (1/20): Chapters 2 and 3

Week 3 (1/27): Chapters 3 and 4

Week 4 (2/3): Chapters 4 and 16

Week 5 (2/10): Chapter 16. First midterm examination (Thurs)

Week 6 (2/17): Chapter 5

Week 7 (2/24): Chapter 6. Take home examination handed out (Thurs)

Week 8 (3/3): Chapter 7. Take home examination due (Tues)

Week 9 (3/10): Spring Break 3/8-3/16

Week 10 (3/17): Chapter 8

Week 11 (3/24): Chapter 9

Week 12 (3/31): Chapter 10 . Second midterm (Thurs)

Week 13 (4/7): Chapter 11. Second take home examination handed out (Thurs)

Week 14 (4/14) Chapter 12. Second take home examination due (Tues)

Week 15 (4/21): Chapter 13. (Revue on Thurs). Research essay returned (Thurs).

Week 16 (4/28): Third mid-term examination 4/29. Classes end 4/30.