

Oklahoma City University

Principles of Microeconomics - Econ 2113-30

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1. General Information

Class meets: MW 6:00 pm - 7:15 pm, MSB 202

General Education Curriculum: Social Sciences

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Office Hours: TR 2:00 – 4:00 pm / MW 3:00– 5:00 pm

2. Course Specific Information

Required Texts: Microeconomics, by McConnell, Brue, and Flynn (ISBN: 9780077660819)

Course Objectives: At the completion of this course students will understand economic models, opportunity cost, comparative advantage, supply and demand analysis, elasticity, international trade patterns and government policies that affect it, utility and consumer consumption, and profit maximizing output of firms in different markets.

Course Schedule: All you need to do is to read the chapter before the class (seriously, do it!), attend and participate in the class lectures, do your homework, attend the midterm and final exam.

Week 1 – Limits, Alternatives, and Choices

Week 2 – The Market System and the Circular Flow

Week 3 – Demand, Supply, and Market Equilibrium

Week 4 – Market Failures: Public Goods and Externalities

Week 5 – Practice Midterm: February 4th, Midterm Exam: February 6th (retake exam: should take place before February 11th. Unexcused absence = No retake!)

Week 6 – Elasticity

Week 7 – Utility Maximization

Week 8 – Businesses and the Costs of Production

Week 9 – Pure Competition in the Short Run and Pure Competition in the Long Run

Week 10 – Spring Break

Week 11 – Practice Midterm: March 18th, Midterm Exam: March 20th (retake exam: should take place before March 25th. Unexcused absence = No retake!)

Week 12 – Pure Monopoly

Week 13 – Monopolistic Competition and Oligopoly

Week 14 – The Demand for Resources and Natural Resource and Energy Economic

Week 15 – Practice for Final Exam

Week 16 – Final Exam: April 29th

3. Academic Complaints

Students are encouraged to utilize Oklahoma City University's internal complaint policies through the Office of the Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs prior to filing a complaint with any external entity. Students may submit an official Academic Complaint at Complaints - Oklahoma City University. Academic complaints submitted will be received by the Office of the Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs and will be investigated by that office for action or further resolution.

Submitting an academic complaint via this form does not initiate a formal appeal process under the student handbook or the current catalogs found under quick links, <https://www.okcu.edu/academics/home> .

For information on submitting a complaint related to the accreditor of your program, please visit Accreditation - Oklahoma City University.

For information on submitting a complaint for distance education courses, please visit Distance Learning Complaints - Oklahoma City University.

4. Grading Procedures and Scale

Attendance Policy: Attendance is not mandatory but strongly encouraged as it is helpful for learning the material of this course. Class preparation and participation has extra credit (up to 5 points)

Midterm Exams (2): 50% (25% each) of course grade

Final Exam: 25% of course grade

Homework assignments: 25% of course grade

Policy for Make-up Work: Group presentations have extra credit (up to 5 points). You can pick a chapter of book and present it in the class. Remember that you need to decide and let me know about your presentation no later than end of February.

Policy on Late Assignments: You will not receive any point for turning in your assignment after deadline (exception: only for serious health related issues, with presenting documents)

Grading Scale:

94% and higher = A	90-93.9 = A-	87-89.9 = B+
84-86.9 = B	80-83.9 = B-	77-79.9 = C+
74-76.9=C	70-73.9=C-	60-69.9 = D
less than 60% = F		

5. Academic Honesty

Academic honesty is required in all aspects of a student's relationship with the university. Academic dishonesty may not be course-specific and includes falsification or misrepresentation of a student's academic progress, status, or ability, including, but not limited to, false or altered transcripts, letters of recommendation, registration or advising forms, or other documents related to the student's academic career at Oklahoma City University or other colleges or universities. Students are personally responsible for the correctness and accuracy of information supplied to the university. Any student who knowingly gives incorrect information to the university is subject to disciplinary action that may lead to suspension.

Students are advised that cheating and plagiarism are not tolerated. The university expects all students to maintain a high standard of ethics in their academic activities. In this context, forms of academic dishonesty include, but are not limited to, cheating on tests, examinations or other

class/laboratory work; involvement in plagiarism (the appropriation of another's work and/or the unacknowledged incorporation of that work in one's own); collusion (the unauthorized collaboration with another person); misrepresentation of actions; and falsifying information.

See the undergraduate or graduate catalogue for university policy on consequences of violating Academic Honesty.

In this course a first incidence of a violation will result in a 0 for the assignment and a written report will be filed. Any second violation will result in an "F" for the course and written report.

For details of the Oklahoma City University Academic Honesty policy, see the OCU Undergraduate Catalogue.

6. Civil Rights, Equity, and Access

A. Nondiscrimination Policy

The Nondiscrimination Policy prohibits discrimination in the University community, including students, faculty, staff, guests, and visitors. Acts of discrimination, including harassment based on a protected category, may limit, deprive, or deny educational/employment access, benefits, and opportunities. This policy prohibits discrimination based on race, ethnicity, national origin (including ancestry), religion, sex, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, pregnancy, age, disability, domestic violence victim status, veteran or military status, and other protected categories under federal law. For a complete list of prohibited forms of discrimination, definitions, and examples, please visit University Policies - Oklahoma City University to access the Nondiscrimination Policy. The University's Compliance Coordinator, Ms. Joey Croslin, oversees prevention and response programs addressing discrimination in our community. To make a report, ask questions, or learn more, please contact Ms. Croslin at (405) 208-5075 and jcroslin@okcu.edu.

B. Sexual Harassment and Misconduct (Title IX)

The Nondiscrimination Policy also prohibits a number of forms of sex discrimination, including sexual harassment, sexual misconduct, intimate partner violence, and stalking. That policy includes definitions and examples of these terms as well as the procedures for the investigation and resolution of Complaints. Many of these issues are also prohibited by Oklahoma criminal law and may be reported to campus or local police in addition to the University. When the University receives a report, the reporting party will be contacted by a Title IX administrator to discuss options for confidential support, interim measures to address safety/access concerns, and formal and informal procedures for resolving Complaints as appropriate. To make informed choices, it is important to be aware of mandatory reporting requirements for campus resources.

Nearly all University employees, including faculty, are required to report known/suspected discrimination to the Compliance Coordinator within 24 hours. Confidential options including University Counseling and advocacy services can maintain privacy. They do not disclose information about reports to university officials without explicit permission. Please visit Title IX Information - Oklahoma City University for more information about

confidential resources, reporting options, policies and procedures, and contact information for University Title IX administrators. For emergencies, please call campus police at (405) 208-5911 or local police at 911.

C. Disability Accommodations (ADA / Section 504)

If you believe that you need reasonable accommodations for a documented physical, psychiatric, and/or learning disability or attention disorder, please make sure to register with Campus Disability Services by filling out the New Student Application at the following link: OKCU Disability Information Form - DSV4-LionHead. The Senior Coordinator for Access and Academic Support is responsible for coordinating student disability-related accommodations and, if approved, will issue students a Letter of Accommodation. Reasonable accommodations may require early planning and are not provided retroactively, so please start this process as soon as possible. If you have general questions about reasonable accommodations, you may contact the Senior Coordinator for Access and Academic Support, Jenny Minsberg, at jlminsberg@okcu.edu and in DBL 106C.

Assembly and Shelter Locations

<https://www.okcu.edu/main/emergency>

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