

### Course Information

- Lecture time and place:
  - **MWF 12-12:50pm**, Center Hall #101 (sections A01-A03, 982230-982232)
  - **MWF 1-1:50pm**, Center Hall #101 (sections B01-B03, 982234-982236)

You can attend either section if there is enough space. For the first few lectures, please attend your own section if you are enrolled at 12pm: the 1pm class will be particularly crowded.
- Instructor: Dr. Oana Tocoian
  - Office hours: Wed, 2:10-4pm in the Economics building #110B. Or, by appointment (possibly online through Zoom)
  - Preferred mode of contact for questions about the class (both logistics and content): [econ1.Tocoian@gmail.com](mailto:econ1.Tocoian@gmail.com). This account will be accessed by TAs as well.
  - If you have a question that relates to you *personally*, email me at [otocoian@ucsd.edu](mailto:otocoian@ucsd.edu)
- Course description:
  - Beginning microeconomic theory: supply and demand, consumer theory, theory of the firm, competitive markets, international trade and labor markets. There are no prerequisites.

### Webpage and Required Materials

- The class webpage is [canvas.ucsd.edu](https://canvas.ucsd.edu). Everything will be linked through here.
- Frank, Bernanke, Antonovics, Heffetz – *Principles of Economics* 7<sup>th</sup> edition
  - I recommend buying the bundle at the bookstore (\$106), which includes a “Connect” code that gives you online access. The online portal has useful study modules and practice problems, including for material that will be covered in Econ 2 and 3. Register your code [here](#) or through the McGraw-Hill Connect link in Canvas.
- Moblab account for the quarter (\$15). Wait until the link and instructions are posted in Canvas.

### Teaching Assistants

- TA **discussion sections** are 1-hour long, and you can attend any of them (if not too crowded).
  - A01-A03: Mon at 6pm, 7pm, 8pm in [HSS](#) 1330
  - B01-B03: Mon at 4pm, 5pm, 6pm in Center Hall 105
- The **office hours schedule** will be posted in the Canvas calendar, which you can [import](#) into Google
- TAs:
  - Yuchang Chen <yuc391@ucsd.edu>, Vivian Aluoch <valuoch@ucsd.edu>, Jin Xi <x5jin@ucsd.edu>, Ha Vu <vha@ucsd.edu>, Zhiyun Jiang <zjh062@ucsd.edu>, Jianan Yang <jiy346@ucsd.edu>, Anastasiia Faikina <afaikina@ucsd.edu>, Carlos Góes <cbezerra@ucsd.edu>, Kekai Liu <kel014@ucsd.edu>
- Supplemental instruction ([SI](#)) – sessions in Geisel Library #1504 ([TLC Commons](#)), Tue 3-4:20pm
  - Siyu Guo <siguo@ucsd.edu>

### Grade composition

Your grade will be based on the best of the following two options:

	Option 1	Option 2
• Participation	5%	0
• Assignments	5%	5%
• Midterms	2 x 20%	2 x 20%
• Final	50%	55%

Participation will be measured through your activity in Moblab (and possibly Canvas). You have to attend at least 80% of the lectures in order to get a full participation score. Students who attend most lectures, supply a high rate of correct responses, and perform well in games may receive extra credit. This will be limited to at most 3-4% of students, so as not to affect the overall curve.

There will be about 2 assignments per week, and you will receive a full score as long as you submit them on time. You can miss/ be late on two assignments and still get the full score.

Exam schedule ← note that midterms are in the evening

- Midterm 1 – **Thu, Oct 17<sup>th</sup>**, 8-9:20pm in [Peterson](#) 108/110
  - Midterm 2 – **Thu, Nov 14<sup>th</sup>**, 8-9:20pm in Peterson 108/110
  - Final:
    - Sections A01-A03: Thursday **Dec 12<sup>th</sup>** 11:30am-2:30pm, location TBD
    - Sections B01-B03: Monday **Dec 9<sup>th</sup>** 11:30am-2:30pm, location TBD
- You have to take the final with the section you are officially enrolled in.**

Exam policies

- Exams are closed book and notes – just bring your ID, pen/pencil and a non-graphing calculator.
- If you arrive late, I will allow you to take the exam in the time that remains *as long as no one has turned in their exam and left the room*. A detailed exam policy which will be posted on Canvas.
- There will be no rescheduled or make-up exams: if you miss a midterm for a verifiable medical, legal or sports reason, the weight of that midterm will shift to the final.

Topics covered:

Chapter 1: Thinking Like an Economist	1-30 (30 pages)
Chapter 2: Comparative Advantage	31-54 (23 pages)
Chapter 3: Supply and Demand	55-86 (31 pages)
Chapter 4: Elasticity	87-112 (25 pages)
Chapter 5: Demand	113-148 (35 pages)
Chapter 6: Perfectly Competitive Supply	149-172 (23 pages)
Chapter 7: Efficiency, Exchange and the Invisible Hand in Action	173-202 (29 pages)
Chapter 15: International Trade and Trade Policy	397-422 (25 pages)
Chapter 13: Labor Markets, Poverty and Income Distribution	349-372 (23 pages)

Other administrative issues

- Deadline to change grade option or drop w/o “W”: Oct 25<sup>th</sup>; drop w/o “F” through Nov 8<sup>th</sup>
- Holidays: Monday Nov 11<sup>th</sup> (Veterans Day); Thu-Fri, Nov 28-29 (Thanksgiving)
- UCSD now has automated waitlists. If you have any questions regarding adding the class, please contact the undergraduate advisors in Sequoyah Hall 245.

Academic Integrity

Students are expected to do their own work, as outlined in the UCSD policy on Academic Integrity. Cheating will not be tolerated, and any student who engages in suspicious conduct will be confronted and subjected to the disciplinary process. Students found guilty of academic dishonesty will earn a failing grade for the course. In addition, the Council of Deans of Student Affairs will impose a disciplinary penalty.