

Economics 1A: Elements of Economics- Microeconomics

Lecture: TuTh 3:30 - 4:50pm Center Hall 105

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Office Hours : Th 10:00-12:00 in Sequoyah 205 or by appointment

This course is the first course of the sequence of the Elements of Economics. Economics 1A introduces microeconomics: supply and demand, markets, income distribution, perfect and imperfect competition, and the role of government.

Texts: Robert H. FRANK and Ben S. BERNANKE: *Principles of Economics*, 2nd Ed. McGraw Hill-Irwin, 2004

Course Requirements: The requirements for the course are (i) Homework 20%, (ii) Midterm examination 35%, and (iii) Final (cumulative) examination 45%. There will be (almost) weekly problem sets posted on the class web page. I will announce in class when each assignment is posted and when it is due.

Exam Policy: Dates of exams are **not** negotiable and you **MUST** take your final exam during the time specified for your lecture. If you miss a midterm for a verifiable medical reason, your midterm grade will be your grade on the final. For a verifiable legal or sports reason, you need to inform me 2 weeks before the midterm (i.e. by April 15th). Otherwise you will receive a zero, no exceptions!!

Midterm: Thursday April 29th, in class

Final: Thursday, June 10th, 3:00-6:00 pm.

Teaching Assistant: Jonathan Smith (j27smith@econ.ucsd.edu)

The TA will hold discussion sessions and office hours to discuss the homework problems and other material from lectures and the text and will help grade course exams. There are 2 sessions on Thursdays: 5:00 - 5:50pm and 6:00 - 6:50pm. Both are at Center Hall 222. The session is not mandatory. The information about TA's office and office hours will be announced on the class website.

Class Website: www.econ.ucsd.edu/~nwasi/econ1A/main.htm

