# **Economics 100B Syllabus Intermediate Microeconomics:**

## Production, Costs, Supply and Competitive Markets UCSD Spring 2012, Tang, Section C00

#### **Times and Places**

Lectures: MWF 12-12:50p Center Hall 109

Discussion Sections: M 4-4:50pm Cognitive Science Building 001

M 5-5:50pm Center Hall 113

Tu 7-7:50pm Cognitive Science Building 001
Tu 8-8:50pm Cognitive Science Building 001

#### **Brief Course Description**

This course is the second of three courses in intermediate microeconomics. We study firm behavior and market outcomes under the assumptions of perfect competition. Required Textbook

Nechyba, Thomas J. (2011) *Microeconomics: An Intuitive Approach with Calculus* Course Website

I will post announcements, notes, practice problem sets (not collected), practice exams, and grades on our course website at Ted. <a href="http://ted.ucsd.edu">http://ted.ucsd.edu</a>

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#### Evaluation

There will be three exams: two midterms (held out of class) and one final exam. Each midterm will be worth 25% of your grade and the final will be worth 50% of your grade. Midterms will cover incremental material, while the final exam will be cumulative, but will place a heavier emphasis on material from the last third of the course. The final weighted points earned in the course will be curved in the assignment of letter grades.

Midterm 1: Friday 4/20 7-8:20p Solis 107

Midterm 2: Thursday 5/17 7-8:20p Peterson Hall 110

Final Exam: Wednesday 6/13 11:30a-2:30p TBA

#### **Policies**

Exam dates are not negotiable. If you miss a midterm because of documented illness or sports, then the remaining midterm will count for 33% of your grade and the final exam will count for 67%. If you miss a midterm for any other reason, you will receive a score of zero on that midterm. There are no acceptable reasons for missing the final—if you miss the final, you will receive a failing grade for the course. Exams are closed-book, closed-notes and you will not be allowed to use calculators. If you believe that an exam has not been properly graded, you must discuss this with the TA who graded the relevant part of the exam within two weeks of when exams were first returned to class. A random subset of graded exams will be photocopied, and altering an exam after we have handed them back will be considered academic misconduct. Any student found guilty of academic misconduct will earn a failing grade for the course. In addition to this academic sanction, the Council of Deans of Student Affairs will impose a disciplinary penalty.

## Econ 100B: Topic Outline

### Preliminary and Subject to Change

Topic	Chapters in
	Textbook
Firms and Production	11, 12
Theory of Costs	11, 12
Competitive Firms	11, 12, 13
Factor Demands	11, 13, 14
Competitive Equilibrium	14
Welfare and Efficiency	15
General Equilibrium	16