

ECON 170A -- SYLLABUS (WINTER 2005)

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Course Information

- Management Science Microeconomics (519153) – MWF, 9-9⁵⁰ am, YORK 2622
- Description: Intermediate managerial microeconomics; demand (including estimation and forecasting), production technology, cost and profit; perfect competition.
- Prerequisites: Principles micro and macro; Math 20C or 21C.
- Course webpage: www.econ.ucsd.edu (click link “*Courses/webpages & office hours*”)

Books and Materials

- Mansfield, *et al.*, *Managerial Economics* (5th ed.) and *Study Guide* [Bookstore]
- Foster, Ec 170A Lecture Notes [Course webpage]

Calendar

- Change grade option or drop w/o “W” thru 28 JAN.
- Drop w/o “F” thru 4 MAR.
- Holidays: M, 17 JAN (MLK); M, 21 FEB (President’s Day).
- Midterm: Friday, 11 FEB, in class.
- Final: Wednesday, 16 MAR, 8-11 am, YORK 2622 (or _____)

Examinations and Grading

Midterm = 50 points; cumulative/comprehensive final = 150 points. Exams open book/notes. Regrade period = 1 week after papers returned. No rescheduled/make-up exams. Cheating = F plus penalty imposed by dean.¹

Grade Curve	
Gr	Ranking
A±	Top 20%
B±	High 30%
C±	Mid 40%
D/F	Low 10%

OUTLINE/READING LIST

TOPIC 1	INTRO & REVIEW	Ch. 1-2
TOPIC 2	DEMAND & ELASTICITY	Ch. 3-4
TOPIC 3	ESTIMATION & FORECASTING	Ch. 5-6
TOPIC 4	PRODUCTION THEORY	Ch. 7-8
TOPIC 5	COST ANALYSIS	Ch. 9
TOPIC 6	OUTPUT MARKETS I	Ch. 10

¹ I give multiple versions of tests. If you have the right answers for some other version, you are busted.