University of California, San Diego Department of Economics Winter Quarter 2007

ECON 2: Elements of Economics II

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Lectures: WF 6:30-7:50 Ledden Auditorium Website: http://weber.ucsd.edu/~anieto/Econ2

Text/Readings

• Required Text: Robert H. Frank and Ben S. Bernanke, *Principles of Economics*, Third Edition, McGraw-Hill Irwin 2006 (**FB**)

Course Description

This course is the continuation of Econ 1. We will start from where that course finished. After a brief review of Econ 1, we will discuss topics on imperfect competition (monopoly and oligopoly), economics of information, public economics, environmental and health economics, and international economics.

Grading

Midterms (2): 30% each

Final: 40%

The midterms will be in lecture time on Friday, Jan. 26 and Friday, Feb. 23. There will be no makeup exams. If you have to miss a midterm **for a medical or another University approved reason**, the weight will be allocated to the remaining exams. Please refer to tritonlink for the final exam time and location.

Midterm exams will not be cumulative, but the final exam will be.

Homework

Homework will be assigned but not collected. Solutions for each problem set will be provided at the course's web site. It is very important that you work on the problem sets and understand them, since they are the best preparation for the exams.

Teaching Assistants

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Sections

There will be weekly sections for the class. The TAs will go over the HW in detail in sections, so it is highly recommended that you attend. Please refer to tritonlink for times and locations.

COURSE OUTLINE

PART I: Review

Topic 1: Review of Econ 1

FB, Chapter 7

PART II: Market Imperfections

Topic 2: Monopoly

FB, Chapter 10

Topic 3: Oligopoly

FB, Chapter 11

Topic 4: Externalities

FB, Chapter 12

Topic 5: Economics of Information

FB, Chapter 13

PART III: Public Economics

Topic 6: Labor Markets, Poverty and Income Distribution

FB, Chapter 14

Topic 7: Environmental and Health Economics

FB, Chapter 15

Topic 8: Public Goods and Tax Policy

FB, Chapter 16

PART IV: International Economics

Topic 9: International Trade

FB, Chapter 9

Topic 10: Open Economy Economics

FB, Chapter 30