

Econ 2
Winter 2008
Course Syllabus

Text:

Michael Parkin, *Microeconomics* (Custom Edition for the University of California, San Diego), 2008. (Same text as for Econ 1 Fall 2007)

Course website:

<http://dss.ucsd.edu/~jhamilto/econ2.html>

To drop or add the course or change discussion section:

Sequoyah Hall Room 245 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Course meets:

M-W-F 9:00-9:50 a.m. in Price Theatre

Instructor:

James Hamilton

Office hours in Room 307 of Econ Building:

Mon 2:00-3:00 and Fri 11:00-12:00 (except Jan 25)

Extra hours in Room 231 of Sequoyah Hall on following dates:

Tue Jan 29 1:30-2:30

Tue Feb 26 1:30-2:30

Tue Mar 18 1:30-2:30

TA office hours will be posted at http://dss.ucsd.edu/~jhamilto/Office_hours.htm

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Exam dates:

First exam: Wed Jan 30 9:00-9:50 a.m.

Second exam: Wed Feb 27 9:00-9:50 a.m.

Final exam (cumulative): Wed March 19, 8:00-11:00 a.m.

No one can leave exam room during an exam

Course grade:

We will calculate for each student one point total that puts a weight of 25% on first exam, 25% on second exam, and 50% on final. We will then calculate a second point total that puts a weight of 25% on the best of the first two exams and 75% on the final. Student's grade will be based on the higher of the two numbers. There are no make-up exams—a missed exam automatically commits a student to the second option.

Special dates:

Mon Jan 21: no class or discussion sections
Fri Jan 25: no instructor office hours
Tue Jan 29: extra office hours 1:30-2:30 in Sequoyah 231
Wed Jan 30 and Fri Feb 1: class will meet but discussion section will not
Mon Feb 18: no class or discussion sections
Tue Feb 26: extra office hours 1:30-2:30 in Sequoyah 231
Wed Feb 27 and Fri Feb 29: class will meet but discussion section will not
Tue Mar 18: extra office hours 1:30-2:30 in Sequoyah 231

Tentative Daily Schedule (exam dates are fixed regardless)

Mon Jan 7: **Chapter 5-- Efficiency and Equity** (review from Econ 1)
Wed Jan 9: Chapter 5 (continued)
Fri Jan 11: **Chapter 12-- Monopoly**
Mon Jan 14: Chapter 12 (continued)
Wed Jan 16: Chapter 12 (continued)
Fri Jan 18: Chapter 12 (continued)
Mon Jan 21: University holiday (no scheduled class or discussion sections)
Wed Jan 23: **Chapter 13-- Monopolistic Competition and Oligopoly**
Fri Jan 25: Chapter 13 (continued)
Mon Jan 28: Chapter 13 (continued)
Wed Jan 30: **First exam**
Fri Feb 1: **Chapter 14-- Regulation and Antitrust Law**
Mon Feb 4: Chapter 14 (continued)
Wed Feb 6: **Chapter 15-- Externalities**
Fri Feb 8: Chapter 15 (continued)
Mon Feb 11: Chapter 15 (continued)
Wed Feb 13: **Chapter 16-- Public Goods and Common Resources**
Fri Feb 15: Chapter 16 (continued)
Mon Feb 18: University holiday (no scheduled class or discussion sections)
Wed Feb 20: Chapter 16 (continued)
Fri Feb 22: **Chapter 17-- Markets for factors of production**
Mon Feb 25: Chapter 17 (continued)
Wed Feb 27: **Second exam**
Fri Feb 29: **Chapter 18-- Economic Inequality**
Mon Mar 3: Chapter 18 (continued)
Wed Mar 5: **Chapter 19-- Uncertainty and Information**
Fri Mar 7: Chapter 19 (continued)
Mon Mar 10: **Chapter 20-- Trading with the World**
Wed Mar 12: Chapter 20 (continued)
Fri Mar 14: Chapter 20 (continued)
Wed Mar 19: **Final exam** (cumulative), 8:00-11:00 a.m.