

Syllabus

ECON 4001.02 (Section 15038)
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Course Website	http://carmen.osu.edu	
In-Class Games	http://www.moblab.com	

Required Text:

- *Microeconomic Theory: Basic Principles and Extensions, 11th Edition*, by Nicholson & Snyder. **ISBN-13:** 9781111525538. The list price is \$240, but you should be able to find it for much less. There is an optional Study Guide available (**ISBN-13:** 978-0324274622).

Attendance: I will not take attendance, but there will be unannounced ('pop') quizzes that count toward your final grade (see below).

Office Hours: I will *almost always* be available during office hours without an appointment, but it's always a good idea to send me an email ahead of time if you plan on coming to office hours, just to confirm that I'll be in. The grader also holds office hours.

Problem Sets (15% of grade): Problem sets are worth 15% of your grade.

There will be 4 problem sets, to be assigned in weeks 2, 6, 10, and 14. Each is worth 5% of your overall grade. You will receive a score from 0 to 5 on each problem set. Individual problems will not receive scores. Instead, an overall grade will be assigned based on the completeness and accuracy of your entire problem set solutions.

I will sometimes refer to 'study questions' during lecture. These are simply helpful problems that you can think about at home to help you study. Study questions are not to be turned in.

Group Work Policy: You are encouraged to work together to solve your problem sets (and study problems), but each person must submit their own problem set solutions. Verbatim copying of others' solutions is forbidden, and considered academic misconduct (see below).

Pop Quizzes (10% of grade): There will be an unspecified number of pop quizzes during the course, occurring on unannounced days. 10% of your overall grade will be determined by your performance on pop quizzes (with each quiz getting equal weight). If you miss a quiz you receive a score of zero for that quiz, and it cannot be made up. Pop quizzes are meant to be short and not terribly difficult; their purpose is to incentivize attendance and to check understanding.

Exams (75% of grade): There will be four exams, worth a total of 75% of your grade. There will be 3 midterms (in weeks 4, 8, and 12) administered in class, and a final. The final is *not* cumulative. Your lowest score of the 4 exams will be dropped. The remaining three will each be worth 25% of your overall grade. If you miss an exam for any reason, you will get a score of zero for that exam. Exams cannot be made up.

All exams will be graded out of 100 possible points.

All exams are 'closed-book' and 'closed-notes', except that you may bring *one* 3"×5" note card with your own notes for reference. They must be handwritten notes, and you can use both sides of the card. Your card must be your own creation; students cannot copy and share cards. Cards must be turned in at the end of the exam, and your name must appear clearly in the top-right corner of the front side of the card. Cards will not be returned. Scrap paper will be provided for each exam, so you will only need your pens/pencils and your note card. Calculators are not permitted (or needed) during exams.

In-Class Games: I will use MobLab to conduct a few games in class to demonstrate key concepts. You can participate from your seat using either a laptop computer, tablet, or smartphone device, as long as you have an Internet connection. I will email you an access code to create a free MobLab account before the first game. You will not be graded on your performance in these games.

Academic Dishonesty: It is the responsibility of the Committee on Academic Misconduct to investigate or establish procedures for the investigation of all reported cases of student academic misconduct. The term "academic misconduct" includes all forms of student academic misconduct wherever committed; illustrated by, but not limited to, cases of plagiarism and dishonest practices in connection with examinations. Instructors shall report all instances of alleged academic misconduct to the committee (Faculty Rule 3335-5-487). For additional information, see the Code of Student Conduct: http://studentaffairs.osu.edu/resource_csc.asp.

Disability Services: Students with disabilities that have been certified by the Office for Disability Services will be appropriately accommodated, and should inform the instructor as soon as possible of their needs. The Office for Disability Services is located in 150

Pomerene Hall, 1760 Neil Avenue; telephone 292-3307, TDD 292-0901; <http://www.ods.ohio-state.edu/>.

Tentative Schedule:

Week	Day	Date	Chapters Taught	Assignments/Exams
01	T	08/25	1-2	
01	R	08/27	2	
02	T	09/01	2	
02	R	09/03	3	PS1 Assigned
03	T	09/08	3	
03	R	09/10	4-5	PS1 Due
04	T	09/15	5	
04	R	09/17	—	EXAM #1
05	T	09/22	5	
05	R	09/24	6	
06	T	09/29	7	
06	R	10/01	8	PS2 Assigned
07	T	10/06	8	
07	R	10/08	8	PS2 Due
08	T	10/13	—	EXAM #2
08	R	10/15	AUTUMN BREAK (NO CLASS)	
09	T	10/20	9	
09	R	10/22	9-10	
10	T	10/27	10	
10	R	10/29	10-11	PS3 Assigned
11	T	11/03	11	
11	R	11/05	12	PS3 Due
12	T	11/10	13	
12	R	11/12	—	EXAM #3
13	T	11/17	13	
13	R	11/19	14	
14	T	11/24	15	PS4 Assigned
14	R	11/26	THANKSGIVING (NO CLASS)	
15	T	12/01	18	
15	R	12/03	18	PS4 Due
16	T	12/08	19	
16	R	12/10	STUDY PERIOD (NO CLASS)	
Finals	W	12/16	—	EXAM #4