Syllabus
ECON2120
Principles of Microeconomics
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I. CATALOG DESCRIPTION

Course Number: ECON2120
Course Title: Principles of Microeconomics
Prerequisite(s): None

Catalog Description: Analysis of perfect and imperfect markets, including the behavior of producers and consumers. Topics include price and income elasticity, public and private goods, income distribution, market structures, production costs, resource allocation, comparative advantage and current economic problems.

Credit Hours: 3.0 semester hours / 4.5 quarter hours
Contact Hours: 45 hours (or quarter equivalent)

II. COURSE OBJECTIVES / COMPETENCIES

Course will:
1. Demonstrate and explain demand and supply schedules and the resulting graphs.
2. Develop student awareness of how economists’ measure sensitivity of quantity demanded as a result of changes in price and income.
3. Develop student awareness of the theory of consumer and producer behavior.
4. Develop student awareness of the firm’s cost of production and sources of revenue.
5. Demonstrate graphically and mathematically the optimal levels of production in different market structures.
6. Acquaint students with the major characteristics of different market structures.
7. Demonstrate how prices are determined in different market structures.
8. Discuss microeconomic principles as they relate to current economic issues.

III. STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Students will be able to:
(1) Diagram and interpret demand and supply schedules and the resulting graphs.
(2) Calculate and interpret how economists’ measure sensitivity of quantity demanded to changes in price and income.
(3) Explain the theory of consumer and producer behavior.
(4) Analyze the firm’s cost of production and sources of revenue.
(5) Calculate and interpret graphically and mathematically the optimal levels of production in different market structures.
(6) Identify the major characteristics of different market structures.
(7) Explain how prices are determined in different market structures.
(8) Apply microeconomic principles to current economic issues.
IV. COURSE CONTENT / TOPICAL OUTLINE
(1) Product Markets/Different market structures
(2) Resource Markets and costs of production
(3) Consumer and producer behavior
(4) Microeconomic issues relating to current events
(5) Microeconomics of trade

V. INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS
A. Required Text(s) Suggested

- Economics & Connect
- Principles of Economics & Mind Tap
- Economics & My Econ Lab
- Principles of Economics
- Economics & My Econ Lab
- Economics & Connect
- Principles of Microeconomics 2E

B. Suggested Text(s)
- McConnell & Brue
- N. Gregory Mankiw
- R. Glenn Hubbard & Anthony Patrick O’Brien
- Timothy Taylor and Steven Greenlaw, et al
- O’Sullivan
- Asarta/Butters
- OpenStax

VI. METHOD OF PRESENTATION/INSTRUCTION
a) Lecture
b) Discussion
c) Demonstration
d) Application
e) On-Line
f) Distant Education

VII. METHODS OF EVALUATION
Course grades, at the determination of the instructor, will be based on class and group participation, daily work, exams, projects, papers and/or a portfolio. Instructors will distribute and discuss evaluation and grading policies with students at the beginning of each term.

VIII. INSTITUTIONAL DEFINED SECTION
a. Other requirements as determined by instructor/college.
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