

ECON 200A: MICROECONOMICS (“DECISIONS”)

Fall 2000

Tu,Th 12:45 - 2:45pm

ECON 300

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Hours: Wed 8:00-noon.

The topics of this course are the economic theories of consumer and producer behavior.

The texts for the 200A/B/C sequence are:

Kreps, D., *A Course in Microeconomic Theory*. Princeton: Princeton Univ. Press, 1990.

Mas-Colell, A., M. Whinston and J. Green (“MWG”), *Microeconomic Theory*, Oxford: Oxford Univ. Press, 1995.

Varian, H., *Microeconomic Analysis, 3rd ed.* New York: W.W. Norton & Co., 1992.

There will also be a Mathematical Handout for this course, and additional in-class handouts.

An extremely useful book of problems, designed to hone your analytical ability is:

Dixon, P., S. Bowles and D. Kendrick, *Notes and Problems in Microeconomic Theory*, 1985, (Amsterdam: North-Holland)

Other useful readings include the relevant chapters of:

Debreu, G., *Theory of Value*, 1959, (New York: Wiley).

Henderson, J. and R. Quandt, *Microeconomic Theory: A Mathematical Approach*, 3rd ed., 1980 (New York: McGraw-Hill)

Malinvaud, E., *Lectures on Microeconomic Theory*, 1972 (Amsterdam: North-Holland)

Russell, R. and M. Wilkinson, *Microeconomics: A Synthesis of Modern and Neoclassical Theory*, 1979, (New York: Wiley)

EXAMS: Your grade the course will be determined on the basis of two midterms (dates to be determined) and the final exam (Monday, December 4, 9am-noon).

OPTIONAL QUESTIONS: For those who would like prior practice working with the material at a more basic level, or whose microeconomics background is not strong, there is an Econ 100A package available at Soft Reserve. This package contains approximately ∞ practice questions, which sometimes accidentally find their way onto Econ 200A midterms and final exams. Even onto Micro Qualifiers ...