# **Economics 100B Syllabus Intermediate Microeconomics:**

# Production, Costs, Supply and Competitive Markets UCSD Spring 2014, Tang, Section A00

### **Times and Places**

Lectures: MWF 2-2:50p Warren Lecture Hall 2005

Discussion Sections (attend any one of four, all are held in Cognitive Science Building CSB 001):

Tuesdays 6-6:50pm Thursdays 7-7:50pm Tuesdays 7-7:50pm Thursdays 8-8:50pm

#### Brief Course Description

This course is the second of three courses in intermediate microeconomics. We study firm behavior and market outcomes under the assumptions of perfect competition. Required Textbook

Perloff, Jeffrey, Microeconomics: Theory & Applications with Calculus, UCSD Custom Edition

#### Course Website/Email address

I will post announcements, notes, practice problem sets (not collected), practice exams, and grades on our course website at Ted. <a href="http://ted.ucsd.edu">http://ted.ucsd.edu</a> Please use the course email address <a href="mailto:econ100b.ucsd@gmail.com">econ100b.ucsd@gmail.com</a> to ask questions about course content.

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#### Evaluation

There will be three exams: two midterms (held out of class) and one final exam. Each midterm will be worth 25% of your grade and the final will be worth 50% of your grade. Midterms will cover incremental material, while the final exam will be cumulative, but will place a heavier emphasis on material from the last third of the course.

Midterm 1 (out-of-class): Thursday 4/17 7-7:50p Peterson 108 Midterm 2 (out-of-class): Thursday 5/15 7-7:50p Peterson 108

Final Exam: Friday 6/13 3-6p

#### Policies

Exam dates are not negotiable. You MUST take the exams scheduled for the section of class you are enrolled in. If you miss a midterm because of documented illness, sports or legal reasons, the weight of the missed midterm will be added to the weight of the final exam. If you miss a midterm for any other reason, you will receive a score of zero on that midterm. There are no acceptable reasons for missing the final-- if you miss the final, you will receive a failing grade for the course. If you believe that an exam has not been properly graded, you must discuss this with the TA whom graded the relevant part of the exam within two weeks of when exams were first returned to class. Any student found guilty of academic misconduct will earn a failing grade for the course. In addition to this academic sanction, the Council of Deans of Student Affairs will impose a disciplinary penalty. The final weighted points earned will be curved in the assignment of letter grades; the following apply as the *minimum* of the letter grade you can expect to earn based on the total weighted % of points you earn in the course: 98-100%= A+, 93-97=A, 90-92=A-, 88-89=B+, 83-87=B, 80-82=B-, 78-79=C+, 73-77=C, 70-72=C-, 50-69=D, <50% = F

## Econ 100B: Topic Outline

Preliminary and Subject to Change Please refer to the outline included in the textbook before the Table of Contents for a more detailed topic outline.

Topic	Chapters in Textbook	
Firms and Production	6	
Theory of Costs	7	
Competitive Firms	8	
Factor Demands	15.1	
Competitive Equilibrium	9	
Welfare and Efficiency	9	
General Equilibrium	10	