

**Principles of Economics**  
**Economics 1**  
**UCLA Summer 2017**

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## Syllabus

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### Time and Location

Tuesday and Thursday 1:00PM-3:05PM, Dodd 121

### Course Description

Introduction to principles of economic analysis, economic institutions, and issues of economic policy. Emphasis on allocation of resources and distribution of income through price system.

### Textbook:

*Principles of Economics*. N. Gregory Mankiw, 7<sup>th</sup> Edition with MindTap Printed Access Code. Cengage Learning.

MindTap Registration Web Site: <https://login.cengagebrain.com/course/MTPN8LRPRVH1>

*Note: If you already registered an access code or bought MindTap online, the course key to register for this course is: TBD*

MindTap Purchase Options Web Site: <http://www.cengagebrain.com/course/1537946>

### MindTap Tech Support Web Site/Phone:

<http://support.cengage.com/magellan/ClassLandingPage.aspx?optId=1-1QOMDEB>  
1-800-990-8211 (Direct Line)

### Computation of Course Grade

The course grade will be based on two midterm exams, and a cumulative final exam. Formula sheets will be provided during the exams. Missed exams and homework assignments may not be made up.

- 15% Homework (Weekly assignments submitted online via MindTap)
- 20% Midterm Exam 1 (Chapters: 1 - 4, July 11<sup>th</sup>)
- 20% Midterm Exam 2 (Chapters: 5 - 10, July 25<sup>th</sup>)
- 45% Final Exam (Chapters 1 - 15, August 4<sup>th</sup>, 1:00PM - 3:00 PM)

**Academic Dishonesty** Any cases of academic dishonesty will be reported to the Office of the Dean of Students. For more details please refer to the Office of the Dean of Students website at <http://www.studentgroups.ucla.edu/dos/>

## Where to Direct Questions:

### Types of Questions

Administrative (course enrollment, advice)  
Administrative (switching sections)  
Course Material

### Whom to Contact

ug-counselor@econ.ucla.edu  
Ed McDevitt (mcdevitt@econ.ucla.edu)  
Post your question on the Discussion Forum

## Course Enforced Policies

- There are no make-up exams. Exam dates are indicated on the syllabus. Therefore, if you cannot take an exam on the specified date, you are advised to take the course in a different section.
- You need to bring a valid form of picture ID on scheduled days of exams. You will not be allowed to take the exam without one.
- There are no make up homework assignments. Late homework assignments will not be accepted under any circumstances. The due dates will be posted on the course website and also on MindTap. Therefore, please make sure to keep track of the deadlines for these assignments.
- The use of electronic devices such as cellphones, tablets, and devices that allow you to communicate with others, is strictly banned during exams. You will be reported for cheating if caught using them during exams.
- There are no extra credit assignments available.
- Scientific/graphing calculators are allowed and recommended during exams.
- All grades are final when filed by the instructor on the Final Grade Report.

## Email Policy

Students should email me only for personal matters. When you have a question about the course content, you are strongly encouraged to:

- attend the TA sections.
- go to the office hours of your respective TA or mine.
- use the class 'Discussion forum' (via the course website on CCLE) or email your TA.

## Disabled Students and the Office of Student Disabilities (OSD)

Any student with a preexisting illness or condition who requests special arrangements must (a) qualify under OSD rules for such special arrangements and (b) must take the exam with OSD. Any such arrangements with OSD must be made the first week of classes. The instructor must be informed of any such arrangement in the first week of classes. For additional information and the qualification conditions of the Office of Student Disabilities (OSD), please visit their website at <http://www.osd.ucla.edu/>. All other students must take the exam at the scheduled time under the same time constraints. It is the responsibility of all students who request special arrangements with OSD to be familiar with all of their rules as well as the rules of this class.

## Tentative Course Schedule

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<b>Week</b>	<b>Lecture Topics</b>	<b>Chapters</b>
<b>1</b> (June 27, 29)	Ten Principles of Economics	1
	Thinking Like an Economist	2
	Interdependence and the Gains from Trade	3
	Supply & Demand	4
<b>2</b> (July 6)	Elasticity and Its Applications	5
	Supply, Demand, and Government Policies	6
<b>3</b> (July 11, 13)	Consumers, Producers, and the Efficiency of Markets	7
	<b>Midterm Exam 1 (July 11)</b>	
	Application: The Costs of Taxation	8
<b>4</b> (July 18, 20)	Application: International Trade	9
	Externalities	10
<b>5</b> (July 25, 27)	The Costs of Production	13
	<b>Midterm Exam 2 (July 25)</b>	
	Firms in Competitive Markets	14
<b>6</b> (August 1, 4)	Monopoly	15
	<b>Final Exam (August 4, 1:00PM-3:00PM)</b>	

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