

Syllabus  
ECN205  
Intermediate Microeconomics  
Spring 2011  
Wake Forest University  
Instructor: McFall

Welcome to ECN205, Intermediate Microeconomics. Over the course of this semester we will study some of the central tenants of microeconomics. Throughout, we will pay close attention to the intuition that comprises the idea and then use simple mathematics to model the idea.

This syllabus gives you information about how the class will be organized, what materials you will need for the class, when tests will be (approximately), and so on and so forth. If you ever are wondering about something, please do not hesitate to ask!

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**Course Vitals:**

What: ECN 205

Where: 313 Greene Hall

When: 9am on MWF

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Book: Microeconomics. 5<sup>th</sup> ed. Jeffrey Perloff. ISBN-13: 978-0-321-55849-7.

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**Topics for Study:**

This class will be organized into four parts- market analysis, consumer behavior, firm behavior, and competitive market analysis and welfare. The topics cover the first ten chapters of the course textbook.

Topic	Chapter(s)	Approximate Class Dates
1) Market Analysis	2, 3	1/12-2/4
2) Consumer Choice	4, 5	2/2-3/2
3) Firm Behavior	6, 7	3/14-4/4
4) Perfect Competition	8-10	4/6-4/27

**How will your grade be determined?**

Grades will be based on your performance on four tests, one for each of the four topics that we will cover in class, and four homework assignments. Each test is worth 25% of your final grade. Each homework assignment can improve your test grade by 3%. I'll post homework on my webpage. I'll randomly ask students to perform problems in class. Your grade will be based on how well you answer the question you're assigned.

**One final word...**

Some of you might struggle in this class. (This is one of those warnings that often are not heeded. After all, many of think that other people struggle, but not me!) Economics is not easy by any stretch of the imagination. **If you feel like you are getting lost, then please come talk to me!!** I am more than happy to help you and will think more of you for seeking help rather than not asking for it.

