Course Description

This course develops the basic techniques and fundamental concepts, building on what you learned in introductory Microeconomics. The main purpose is to understand basic neoclassical economics theory, and to help students to analyze problems by using the tools of microeconomic theory. This course will cover the following topics: consumer theory, theory of the firm, equilibrium, monopoly and oligopoly, game theory, externalities and public goods.

Prerequisite

Econ 130, Principles of Microeconomics, or equivalent (you need to contact with me).

Textbooks

You will choose one of the following textbooks for reading. The older version of each book might work for this course as well.

- (PR) Robert Pindyck and Daniel Rubinfeld, Microeconomics (8th Edition), 2012

If you have mathematical difficulties, I recommend you to see the following book.

- Alpha C. Chiang, Fundamental Methods of Mathematical Economics, 2006

For refreshing your knowledge of microeconomics and/or just for fun, I recommend the following book.

- Yoram Bauman, The Cartoon Introduction to Economics: Volume One: Microeconomics, 2010

Grading

- Homework and Class participation (30%)
- 2 Midterm (40%) and Final exams (30%)  Final exam: August 10th, 2012

Make-up policy: No make-up examination is given. In very special circumstances, however, a student may request an early exam date. Supporting documents (for example, a doctor’s note) are then required.
Disability access

If you need reasonable accommodations because of the impact of a disability, please contact the KOKUA Program and speak with me privately to discuss your specific needs.

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