



## Department of Economics Course Outline

		<b>Term:</b> Fall 2007
<b>Course:</b>	Economics 657 [Microeconomic Theory]	<b>Section:</b> 01
<b>Time:</b>	MW 11:30 – 12:45	<b>Place:</b> SH 280
<b>Instructor:</b>	Dr. R. J. Oxoby	
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### Textbook(s):

- Mas-Colell et al (1995) *Microeconomic Theory*, Oxford University Press.

In addition to the required text, various journal articles will be required for the course. Additional texts are on reserve in the library.

### Book(s) on Reserve:

See detailed course outline.

### Course Objectives:

This is a course in economic theory in which we will develop the tools and intuition needed for economic analysis.

### Course Outline:

A detailed course outline will be handed out on the first day of class.

### Grade Determination and Final Examination Details:

Your grade will be based on assignments, two midterm exams, and a final exam. The assignments will typically include, in addition to some standard economic problems, several math questions and the analysis of readings. The former are intended to hone your mathematical skills. The latter are intended to develop your intuition.

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Tests and final exams are marked on a numerical (percentage) basis and converted to letter grades. The course grade is then calculated using the weights indicated above. As a guide to determining standing, these letter grade equivalences will generally apply:

A+	97-100	B	83-86	C-	70-72
A	93-96	B-	80-82	D+	67-69
A-	90-92	C+	77-79	D	60-66
B+	87-89	C	73-76	F	0-59

If, for some reason, the distribution of grades determined using the aforementioned conversion chart appears to be abnormal, the instructor reserves the right to change the grade conversion chart if the instructor, *at the instructor's discretion*, feels it is necessary to more fairly represent student achievement.

A passing grade on any particular component of the course is not required for a student to pass the course as a whole. The 2-hour final examination will be scheduled by the department and held during the final examination period in a classroom.

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#### Notes:

- Students seeking reappraisal of a piece of graded term work (term paper, essay, etc.) should discuss their work with the Instructor within *fifteen days* of the work being returned to the class.
- Make-up examinations and deferred examinations will not be given. Also, examinations will not be given *before* the indicated dates.
- Students' exams and assignments will be returned during regular class time. Papers may also be picked up by students during regular office hours.
- It is the student's responsibility to request academic accommodations. If you are a student with a documented disability who may require academic accommodation and have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre, please contact their office at 220-8237. Students who have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre are not eligible for formal academic accommodation. You are also required to discuss your needs with your instructor no later than fourteen (14) days after the start of this course.

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