

York University
Faculty of Arts
Department of Economics
AP/ECON 2300 3.0 AF
Intermediate Microeconomic Theory I
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Class time: Tuesday and Thursday, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm
Location: SLH - B

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Course Description

The purpose of Economics 2300 3.0 is to introduce students to standard tools of microeconomic analysis and their applications. The lectures will cover approximately the first part of the textbook. Topics include:

1. Demand and Supply
2. Consumer theory: budget constraint, preferences, consumer choice
3. Consumer surplus
4. From individual to market demand
5. Consumer intertemporal choice
6. Uncertainty

Course Prerequisite AP/ECON 1000 3.0/1010 3.0 and AP/ECON 1530 3.0 or equivalent.

Course Pre- or Co-requisite AP/ECON 1540 3.0 or equivalent
(Note: MATH 1310 3.0 is NOT the same as ECON 1540 3.0)

Required Textbook

Intermediate Microeconomics: A Modern Approach, Hal R. Varian, Norton

Grading Scheme Midterm: 35% — Final exam: 65%

Midterm and final exam

The midterm will cover the first half of the course material. The final exam will cover the entire course with more emphasis on the second half of the course.

Midterm: November 2, during class time

Final exam: TBA, determined by the University

Make up policy

There will be no make up exams for either the midterm or the final exam. For students missing the midterm, the weight of the midterm will be carried to their final.

Assignments

Students should work on regular assignments. These assignments are intended for students' learning and are not to be submitted. Students will be able to download assignments from the course web site.