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## **Microeconomic Theory** *Syllabus*

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*Description:* This is an intermediate course in microeconomics. Microeconomics is the branch of economics that studies the decision making behavior of individual units-- individual consumers, individual producers, individual employers, and the markets for particular products.

*Required Textbook:* Microeconomics, by Katz, M. and Harvey S. Rosen. Third Edition.

### *Course Requirements:*

Grading will be based upon:

Several Quizzes (40%): Dates to be determined.

One Midterm (20%): Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> November.

Final Exam (30%): Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> December, 12:30 PM.

Class Participation: (10%).

*Office Hours:* I strongly suggest you to use the office hours. I will be at my office after lectures and by appointment. It's always a good idea to send me an email to remind me about any appointment. You can call me but I'm not usually at my office. I usually work at home, so in case of emergency (some kind of crisis before the exam date) you can call me at home (6177826070).

*Make Up Exams:* I will NOT give make up exams. If you cannot come to one of the tests you have to contact me BEFORE the test. If you could not contact me, you need to obtain a letter from the Dean explaining the reason of your absence and your grade will be based only on the other tests.

### *Course Outline:*

I follow the book outline.

Part 1: The Consumer

Part 2: The Firm

Part 3: Perfect Competition

Part 4: Non- Perfect Competition

Part 5: Other Topics (asymmetric information, moral hazard)- *If time allows.*