

Principles of Microeconomics

Economics 103

Section: D100

Term: 2007 Fall

Instructor: D. Allen

Discussion Topics: This course is designed with two main goals in mind. The primary purpose of the course is to provide a sufficient understanding of the fundamental principles of economics. This includes propositions about individual behavior, output of firms, market structure, and the organization of economic activity. However, I also want to convince you that economics is an interesting field of study, and I intend to do this with a wide variety of examples. Throughout this course we will constantly apply economics to every aspect of your life. I hope to surprise you, perhaps offend you, and ultimately whet your intellectual appetite towards economics.

Grading: The final letter grade will be based on the following weights:

Midterm Exam: 30%

Final Exam: 40%

Assignments: 20%

Tutorial Participation: 10%

Required Texts:

1. Allen, Economic Principles: Seven Ideas for Thinking ... About Almost Anything. (McInnes Creek Press, 2002).

2. Voltaire, Candide, Penguin Classics.

Recommended Texts:

Materials/Supplies: Information regarding assignments will be discussed in the first class. The textbook, Economic Principles: Seven Ideas for Thinking ... About Almost Anything, is only available online at McInnesCreekPress.com. You can go to this web site directly or get t

Prerequisite/Corequisite: Students with credit for ECON 200 cannot take ECON 103 for further credit

Notes: ****NO TUTORIALS DURING THE FIRST WEEK OF CLASSES****

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