

## **Principles of Microeconomics**

Economics 103

Section: C100

Term: 2014 Spring

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:

Assignments 10%

Midterm Exam 30%

Final Exam 50%

Tutorial Participation 10%

Information regarding assignments will be discussed in the first class.

Required Texts: D. Allen, *Economic Principles: Seven Ideas for Thinking About Almost Anything*, 6th Edition, Pearson Custom Publishing. 2013

Voltaire, *Candide*, Penguin Classics, 1947.

Recommended Texts: None

Materials/Supplies: None

Prerequisite/Corequisite: Students with credit for ECON 200 cannot take ECON 103 for further credit. Quantitative/Breadth-Social Sciences.

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

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