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ECO 200Y - MICROECONOMIC THEORY

Course web site: <http://www.economics.utoronto.ca/siow/200/index.html>

TEXTBOOK: Microeconomics by Robert Pindyck and Daniel Rubinfeld (6th edition).

MARKING SCHEME: The final course mark will be based on the following:

Best three out of four mid term tests. - 15% each for a total for 45%. Each term test is 2 hours long. Two of these term tests are in the Fall term and two are in the Spring Term.

Only your three best midterm tests will count towards the 45% of the final grade. If you miss a midterm test for any reason, that test will be counted as your worse test and be excluded from the three best midterm grades. There will be no makeup given for any missed midterm test. If you miss two midterm tests, one test will get a grade of zero and be counted as one of the three best midterm tests.

Midterm tests are open book tests. You can bring your text book, notes and whatever aids that you find useful.

Graded problem sets on "<http://econ.aplia.com>". See the handout on Aplia to get started. This is worth 15% of the total course mark. Each non-test week has one or more assignments. Each week's assignments have the same total value (independent of how many problems or assignments in a particular week). Your problem set grade is the sum of the grades you get for your best *fifteen weeks* problem sets. So a week's worth of your best fifteen weeks is 1% of the final grade. Assignment due dates are posted on the assignments. These due dates are firm. The computer does not accept late assignments. If you fail to submit an assignment for whatever reason, including computer malfunction, you will get a zero for that assignment. Since your problem set grade is based on your best *fifteen weeks* problem sets, there is enough room for missed assignments. If you do less than *fifteen weeks* worth of assignments, you will get zero for the missing weeks.

Final examination - 40%. This exam will cover the entire course material. This exam is common to all the 200Y sections. This is a closed book test. Students who miss the final exam must petition the Faculty of Arts and Science for permission to write a deferred examination in the summer.

TUTORIALS : A teaching assistant will conduct tutorials after class for an hour. The tutorial will go over forthcoming problems from Aplia and also answer general questions.

AID CENTER: To be announced.

IMPORTANT DATES:

Oct 20	First term test (covers chapters 2-5)
Dec 8	Second term test (covers chapters 6-9 & 14)
Feb 16	Third term test (covers chpts 10,11, 15 & 16)
Apr 13	Fourth term test (covers chpts 12,13, 17 & 18)

COURSE OUTLINE AND TUTORIAL ASSIGNMENTS

This is an outline of the chapters to be covered in this course. Some chapters may not be covered in their entirety.

Date	Chapter
Sept 15	2
Sept 22	3
Sept 29	4
Oct 6	4: appendix, 5
Oct 13	5
Oct 20	First term test – covers chapters 2 – 5. Test is open book.
Oct 27	6
Nov 3	6,7
Nov 10	7
Nov 17	14
Nov 24	8
Dec 1	9
Dec 8	Second term test – covers chapters 6 – 9, 14. Test is open book.
Jan 12	15
Jan 19	15,16
Jan 26	16
Feb 2	10
Feb 9	10/11
Feb 16	Third term test – covers chapters 10, 11, 15, 16. Test is open book.
Feb 23	Reading week
Mar 2	13
Mar 9	13
Mar 16	12
Mar 23	17
Mar 30	17,18
Apr 6	18
Apr 13	Third term test – covers chpts 12, 13, 17, 18. Test is open book.
Apr 24- May 12	Final exam period