

COURSE SYLLABUS



COURSE TITLE: ECON 103 Principles of Microeconomics

CLASS SECTION: 001

TERM: 2022S

COURSE CREDITS: 3

DELIVERY METHOD(S): Face-to-Face

Camosun College campuses are located on the traditional territories of the Ləkʷəŋən and W̱SÁNEĆ peoples. We acknowledge their welcome and graciousness to the students who seek knowledge here.

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For COVID-19 information please visit <https://camosun.ca/about/covid-19-updates>

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INSTRUCTOR DETAILS

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OFFICE HOURS: By appointment via Collaborate

As your course instructor, I endeavour to provide an inclusive learning environment. However, if you experience barriers to learning in this course, do not hesitate to discuss them with me. Camosun College is committed to identifying and removing institutional and social barriers that prevent access and impede success.

CALENDAR DESCRIPTION

Students are introduced to the principles of macroeconomic analysis. Using theoretical models of national income and business cycles, they will analyze the impact of government policy on interest rates and exchange rates, and economic growth.

PREREQUISITE(S):

One of:

C in English 12

C in Camosun Alternative

And one of:

C in Math 11

C in MATH 077

C+ in MATH 072

C+ in MATH 075

COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES / OBJECTIVES

1. Explain fundamental concepts applicable to economic problems.
2. Analyze and calculate the impact of market conditions and/or government policies on market equilibrium.
3. Calculate and interpret elasticity as a measure of the responsiveness of demand or supply to changes in income, the product's own price, and price of other products.
4. Apply consumer theory to determine optimal quantity of goods purchased
5. Calculate various cost measures; and identify the relationship between them.
6. Explain how efficiency is impacted by different market structures and how markets reach equilibrium.
7. Explain and analyze the role of comparative advantage in international trade and explain effects of different trade policies.
8. Apply microeconomic reasoning to explain current events.

REQUIRED MATERIALS & RECOMMENDED PREPARATION / INFORMATION

- a) Text(required)

Gregory Mankiw, et. al., *Principles of Microeconomics*, 8th Canadian Ed., Cengage Publishing, Canada, 2020, with MindTap software.

- b) MindTap software (required)

If you purchase a new text, you will receive the access code with the text. The MindTap platform is prepackaged with the e-text. You will receive the course code (different from the access code) in a hyperlink from the instructor in D2L under the Module 1 Content.

COURSE SCHEDULE, TOPICS, AND ASSOCIATED PREPARATION / ACTIVITY / EVALUATION

The following schedule and course components are subject to change with reasonable advance notice, as deemed appropriate by the instructor.

WEEK or DATE RANGE	TOPIC	Due Dates
May 2-6	Ten Principles of Economics Thinking Like an Economist	
May 9-13	Interdependence and the Gains from Trade	May 13 Assignment 1
May 16-20	The Market Forces of Supply and Demand	
May 23-27	Elasticity and its application	May 27 Quiz 1
May 30-June 3	Supply, Demand and Government Policies	June 3 Discussion Forum 1
June 6-June 10	Midterm 1 Exam	June 10

WEEK or DATE RANGE	TOPIC	Due Dates
June 13-June 17	Consumers, Producers and the Efficiency of Markets	
June 20-June 24	The costs of Taxation	June 24 Assignment 2
June 27-July 1	The Costs of Production	July 1 Quiz 2
July 4-July 8	Firms in Competitive Markets	
July 11-July 15	Monopoly	July 15 Assignment 3
July 18-July 22	Midterm 2 Exam	July 22 Midterm 2 Exam
July 25-July 29	Monopolistic Competition	Discussion Forum 2
August 1-5	Oligopoly	
	Final Test	August 5

Students registered with the Centre for Accessible Learning (CAL) who complete quizzes, tests, and exams with academic accommodations have booking procedures and deadlines with CAL where advanced notice is required. Deadlines can be reviewed on the [CAL exams page](http://camosun.ca/services/accessible-learning/exams.html). <http://camosun.ca/services/accessible-learning/exams.html>

EVALUATION OF LEARNING

DESCRIPTION	WEIGHTING
Quizzes	10%
Assignments	15%
Midterm 1	20%
Midterm 2	20%
Group Discussion	10%
Final Test	25%
	TOTAL 100%

If you have a concern about a grade you have received for an evaluation, please come and see me as soon as possible. Refer to the [Grade Review and Appeals](http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.14.pdf) policy for more information. <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.14.pdf>

Assignments

You will be assigned three assignments in MindTap. Each assignment will cover the material from one or several chapters. The assignment will be open on Monday of the respective week in which the content is taught and you will have until the dates stated in the table above to complete it. You will have 3 attempts for each question but may submit each

assignment only once. Your best score for each question will be used for your grade. You can review your results at any time after submission.

Quizzes

You will be assigned two quizzes in MindTap. Each quiz will cover the material from one or several chapters. The quiz will be open on the due date stated in the table above. You will have 2 attempts for each question but may submit each quiz only once. Your best score for each question will be used for your grade.

Midterm Exams

The exams consist of a combination of short answer, MCQs, longer scenario-based questions and essay questions. Additional information, including material covered on each exam, time allocation, how to best prepare, etc. will be provided in class and in D2L close to the exam dates.

Group Discussion

You will be given two discussion topics based on a case study or reading. You will work with other group members to analyze and comment on the discussion forum by the due date mentioned in the table above. Please prepare full team responses to all questions and submit them in **ONE POST titled "Discussion Topic GROUP X."** Questions must be answered in the same order as listed.

Final Test

Students are expected to write final tests at the scheduled time and place. In emergency circumstances, a student may write a test or final examination before or after the scheduled time if the student would otherwise be unable to complete the program or course. Exceptions due to emergency circumstances, such as unavoidable employment commitments, health problems, or unavoidable family crises, require the approval of the appropriate instructor. **Holidays or scheduled flights are not considered emergencies.** The student may be required to provide verification of the emergency circumstance. See Camosun College (2018) Final Examinations from: <http://camosun.ca/learn/calendar/current/procedures.html#academic>

Assignment formatting. The School of Business uses **APA style** for formatting assignments and citing references. Proper citations and formatting using APA style will be required. See Camosun College (2018) Library Citation Guides retrieved from: <http://camosun.ca.libguides.com/apa7>.

- Where required by your instructor, submit all assignments into the D2L assignments by your last name.
- In text citations for quotes, paraphrasing, and references must be consistent with APA standards.
- Grammar, spelling, style and APA formatting, citations and referencing will be assessed in your mark.
- All submitted work must be properly referenced to sources where required by your instructor.

- Unless otherwise specified, you are to submit your own work, any work collaborated (unless permitted by the course) will be considered in violation of the college's Academic Integrity policy. See Camosun College (2021) [Academic Integrity Policy](#)

Deadlines and exams. You must submit your assignments, quizzes on the due date or as announced. A grade of zero will be assigned to late submissions. There are no additional assignments or make-up exams of any kind if you performed poorly on an assignment, midterm or final test.

- a) **EXAM DATES WILL NOT BE RESCHEDULED.** Non-attendance on scheduled exam dates results in a zero grade. Exceptions will be made only for medical reasons or extenuating circumstances that must be submitted and then accepted by the instructor. Please advise your instructor promptly.
- b) Students registered through the Centre for Accessible Learning (CAL) should discuss timelines with their instructors at the beginning of each semester.
- c) Medical notes must be dated, signed, and be written on letterhead or prescription paper imprinted with the physician's name and address. Notes are accepted from Physician (GP or medical specialist), Nurse Practitioner, Psychiatrist, Psychologist, Counsellor and Aboriginal Elder. Electronic notes will not be accepted. Medical documentation must be received as soon as reasonably possible.

Student Absences from this Course – COVID-19 Update

Camosun is committed to protecting the health and safety of all of our students and employees. At this time, the college has waived the requirement for a doctor's note for students who are required to self-isolate. If you are feeling unwell and unable to participate in class due to illness, you should contact your instructor to discuss your options. Where possible, alternative means of participating in the learning will be arranged. Students will not be academically penalized for such absences.

Academic Progress

Students are ultimately responsible for their learning and progress and are expected to seek help in a timely manner when they are unable to meet the course requirements. The College is committed to supporting student success and to working with students in achieving their educational goals. See Camosun College (2005) Academic Progress Policy from: <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.1.pdf>.

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITY

Enrolment at Camosun assumes that the student will become a responsible member of the College community. As such, each student will display a positive work ethic, assist in the preservation of College property, and assume responsibility for their education by researching academic requirements and policies; demonstrating courtesy and respect toward others; and respecting expectations concerning attendance, assignments, deadlines, and appointments.

SUPPORTS AND SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

Camosun College offers a number of services to help you succeed in and out of the classroom. For a detailed overview of the supports and services visit <http://camosun.ca/students/>.

Support Service	Website
Academic Advising	http://camosun.ca/advising
Accessible Learning	http://camosun.ca/accessible-learning
Counselling	http://camosun.ca/counselling
Career Services	http://camosun.ca/coop
Financial Aid and Awards	http://camosun.ca/financialaid
Help Centres (Math/English/Science)	http://camosun.ca/help-centres
Indigenous Student Support	http://camosun.ca/indigenous
International Student Support	http://camosun.ca/international/
Learning Skills	http://camosun.ca/learningskills
Library	http://camosun.ca/services/library/
Office of Student Support	http://camosun.ca/oss

Support Service	Website
Ombudsperson	http://camosun.ca/ombuds
Registration	http://camosun.ca/registration
Technology Support	http://camosun.ca/its
Writing Centre	http://camosun.ca/writing-centre

If you have a mental health concern, please contact Counselling to arrange an appointment as soon as possible. Counselling sessions are available at both campuses during business hours. If you need urgent support after-hours, please contact the Vancouver Island Crisis Line at 1-888-494-3888 or call 911.

COLLEGE-WIDE POLICIES, PROCEDURES, REQUIREMENTS, AND STANDARDS

Academic Accommodations for Students with Disabilities

The College is committed to providing appropriate and reasonable academic accommodations to students with disabilities (i.e. physical, depression, learning, etc). If you have a disability, the [Centre for Accessible Learning](#) (CAL) can help you document your needs, and where disability-related barriers to access in your courses exist, create an accommodation plan. By making a plan through CAL, you can ensure you have the appropriate academic accommodations you need without disclosing your diagnosis or condition to course instructors. Please visit the CAL website for contacts and to learn how to get started:

<http://camosun.ca/services/accessible-learning/>

Academic Integrity

Please visit <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.13.pdf> for policy regarding academic expectations and details for addressing and resolving matters of academic misconduct.

Academic Progress

Please visit <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.1.pdf> for further details on how Camosun College monitors students' academic progress and what steps can be taken if a student is at risk of not meeting the College's academic progress standards.

Course Withdrawals Policy

Please visit <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-2-student-services-and-support/e-2.2.pdf> for further details about course withdrawals. For deadline for fees, course drop dates, and tuition refund, please visit <http://camosun.ca/learn/fees/#deadlines>.

Grading Policy

Please visit <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.5.pdf> for further details about grading.

Grade Review and Appeals

Please visit <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.14.pdf> for policy relating to requests for review and appeal of grades.

Mandatory Attendance for First Class Meeting of Each Course

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Medical / Compassionate Withdrawals

Students who are incapacitated and unable to complete or succeed in their studies by virtue of serious and demonstrated exceptional circumstances may be eligible for a medical/compassionate withdrawal. Please visit <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-2-student-services-and-support/e-2.8.pdf> to learn more about the process involved in a medical/compassionate withdrawal.

Sexual Violence and Misconduct

Camosun is committed to creating a campus culture of safety, respect, and consent. Camosun’s Office of Student Support is responsible for offering support to students impacted by sexual violence. Regardless of when or where the sexual violence or misconduct occurred, students can access support at Camosun. The Office of Student Support will make sure students have a safe and private place to talk and will help them understand what supports are available and their options for next steps. The Office of Student Support respects a student’s right to choose what is right for them. For more information see Camosun’s Sexualized Violence and Misconduct Policy: <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-2-student-services-and-support/e-2.9.pdf> and camosun.ca/sexual-violence. To contact the Office of Student Support: oss@camosun.ca or by phone: 250-370-3046 or 250-3703841

Student Misconduct (Non-Academic)

Camosun College is committed to building the academic competency of all students, seeks to empower students to become agents of their own learning, and promotes academic belonging for everyone. Camosun also expects that all students to conduct themselves in a manner that contributes to a positive, supportive, and safe learning environment. Please review Camosun College’s Student Misconduct Policy at <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-2-student-services-and-support/e-2.5.pdf> to understand the College’s expectations of academic integrity and student behavioural conduct.

Changes to this Syllabus: Every effort has been made to ensure that information in this syllabus is accurate at the time of publication. The College reserves the right to change courses if it becomes necessary so that course content remains relevant. In such cases, the instructor will give the students clear and timely notice of the changes.