

PRINCIPLES OF MICROECONOMICS (ECON 2302)
Northeast Texas Community College
Course Syllabus

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Course Description

Principles of Microeconomics is a study of the principles underlying the behavior of individual consumers and business firms. Topics include demand and supply, the laws of production and cost, the economics of the firm, international economics, domestic economic problems of business and government, market structures, labor unions, social welfare, and taxes.

Textbook

Schiller, Bradley. The Economy Today. Thirteenth Edition. McGraw-Hill Irwin

Teaching Methods

- *Remember, this is a college course and attendance is essential to learning the required material. Because of this, a portion of your grade will come from your attendance and participation. Therefore, it is crucial that you are prepared for every class and chapter readings and assignments are to be completed before class. Each absence will result in a point deductions from you attendance/participation grade.*
- *The student is responsible for making up work without prompting by the instructor. All course work missed, regardless of cause, is to be completed to the satisfaction of the instructor.*
- *Cell phones ringing and text messaging during class are a disturbance and will not be tolerated. Please turn your cell phones off or on silent during the course as a courtesy to your classmates and instructor. If you are in possession of a cell phone and it rings during class, please excuse yourself immediately for the remainder of the day. If this occurs more than once, you will be asked to leave your cell phone with the instructor during the duration of each class day. Students that text or engage in other types of social media will be considered absent. Sleeping students are considered absent. Students arriving to class late are considered absent. Students that repeatedly arrive to class late are considered to be habitual offenders of the course policy. Habitual offenders of attendance, timeliness and cell phone abusers will need to meet with the instructor on a case by case basis to determine the student's capacity to remain successful in the course. Students utilizing laptops will be asked to disconnect from the Internet and sit on the front row so the screen is visible to other classroom students.*
- *In addition to the textbook material, students are encouraged to read current articles in newspapers, etc. in order to be able to discuss and understand current economic conditions. Various websites will also be recommended to you during the semester for your reference. Extra credit will be available during the semester for participation in current event article assignments. This will be the only extra credit opportunity available and will be optional for all students.*
- *You will be required to utilize the Blackboard online learning software at various times during this course. Blackboard can be accessed through the NTCC website and login information is available on the college website. Specific assignments will be discussed during class time.*
- *Please note that the last day to withdraw from this course with a grade of "W" is Thursday, April 13. If you do not for any reason complete the course requirements and you fail to officially withdraw from this course, you will receive a course grade of "F."*

Evaluation and Grading Criteria

Exams (3 Exams)	70%
Case Studies	15%
Assignments/Participation	15%
Total Grade	100%

Project—You will be required to complete 3 case studies during the semester (see due date below). These case studies should be typed as a college level paper and submitted via Blackboard. Specific case study topics will be provided to you at the appropriate times. See Blackboard for more project details.

Course Schedule: Note: *This is to be used as a guideline only and may be adjusted as necessary throughout the semester. In addition to the textbook material, students are encouraged to read current articles in newspapers, etc. in order to be able to discuss and understand current economic conditions. Various websites will also be recommended to you during the semester for your reference.*

Week of (2017)

	Chapter/Assignment/Project
1/16	Introduction/Orientation/Chapter 19 & 20
1/23	Chapters 21 & Exam review
1/30	Exam 1, Chapters 23-25
2/6	Chapters 25 – 26, Exam 2 Review
2/13	Exam 2, Chapter 32
2/20	Chapter 33
2/27	Chapter 34 & 28
3/6	Exam 3 and Article Review Due

- Due date for Article Review will be announced in class.

ADA Statement:

It is the policy of Northeast Texas Community College to provide reasonable accommodations for qualified individuals who are students with disabilities. This College will adhere to all applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations and guidelines with respect to providing reasonable accommodations as required to afford equal educational opportunity. It is the student's responsibility to arrange an appointment with a College counselor to obtain a Request for Accommodations form. For more information, please refer to the Northeast Texas Community College Catalog or Student Handbook.

Honesty: *“Students are expected to complete course work in an honest manner, using their intellects and resources designated as allowable by the course instructor. Students are responsible for addressing questions about allowable resources with the course instructor. NTCC upholds the highest standards of academic integrity. This course will follow the NTCC Academic Honesty policy stated in the Student Handbook.”*

Academic Ethics: *List verbatim the following policy on academic ethics as stated below. Any other issues course/department specific should follow it.*

Northeast Texas Community College may initiate disciplinary proceedings against a student accused of scholastic dishonesty. Scholastic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to, statements, acts, or omissions related to applications for enrollment or the award of a degree, and/or the submission as one's own work material that is not one's own. Scholastic dishonesty may involve, but is not limited to, one or more of the following acts: cheating, plagiarism, collusion, use of annotated texts or teacher's editions, and/or falsifying academic records. Any violation of these policies will result in an F in the course.

Plagiarism *is defined as the appropriation of any person's work and the unacknowledged incorporation of that work in one's own work offered for credit.*

Cheating *is defined to include the following: copying from another student's paper; using materials during a test not authorized by the person giving the test; collaborating with any other person during the test without permission; knowingly obtaining, using, buying, selling, transporting, or soliciting in whole or in part the content of test not yet administered; substituting for another student or permitting any other person to substitute for oneself; copying computer or Internet files, using someone else's work for assignments as if it were one's own, or any other dishonest means of attempting to fulfill the requirements of a course.*

Collusion *is defined as the unauthorized collaboration with any person in preparing work offered for credit.*