

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

COURSE: ECON 802-4
TITLE: Microeconomic Theory I
SEMESTER: Fall 2021
INSTRUCTOR: G. Dow
PREREQUISITES: ECON 331, 798 or equivalent.

Description:

This is a graduate-level introduction to microeconomic analysis. We will investigate production and consumption theory, along with partial and general equilibrium. The course has a theoretical focus and the main analytical tool is optimization theory.

Required Text:

Hal Varian, *Microeconomic Analysis*, 3rd edition, W.W. Norton, 1992.

Grading:

There will be two midterms and a final. Each exam is worth 1/3 of the course grade.

If a student is absent from a midterm exam, the weight of that exam will be transferred to the remaining exam(s).

A large number of practice questions will be provided. I strongly urge students to invest substantial time in working on these questions to prepare for the exams.

Note:

Due to the Covid-19 situation, we may have to switch to an online format for part of the course. I have backup plans to provide lectures and give exams if that happens. I'll say more about this on the first day of class.

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