



Course Syllabus
Intermediate Microeconomics
ECON 2200B
Section 1

Winter 2023

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Lectures: **Wednesday, Friday 1305-1425 LSc C240**
Tutorials: times will be announced shortly after the beginning of classes
Office Hours: **Monday 0830-1000, Tuesday 1000-1130**
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Course Description

This course covers consumer behaviour, the theory of the firm, factor markets, and general equilibrium welfare analysis. The course serves as the microeconomic prerequisite for higher-level courses in economics.

Course Prerequisites

ECON 1101.03 with minimum grade of C

Course Objectives/Learning Outcomes

Students should further develop analytical tools for describing microeconomic behaviour. This includes being able to use basic microeconomic models (i.e., use diagrams and numerical examples) as well as being able to **judge the appropriateness and limitations of such models**. In particular, they should be able to **clearly communicate their reasoning**.

Course Materials

- **Text** : Perloff, Jeffrey M., *Microeconomics* (any edition...most recent is 9th)
 Other intermediate microeconomics texts would also be OK
- **Basic Calculator**

Course Assessment

Component	Weight (% of final grade)	Date
<i>In-Class Quizzes (5)</i>	10	approximately every second week
<i>Midterm 1</i>	20	February 1
<i>Midterm 2</i>	20	March 10
<i>Final exam</i>	50	<i>(Scheduled by Registrar)</i>



Conversion of numerical grades to Final Letter Grades follows the Dalhousie Common Grade Scale

A+ (90-100)	B+ (77-79)	C+ (65-69)	D	(50-54)
A (85-89)	B (73-76)	C (60-64)	F	(<50)
A- (80-84)	B- (70-72)	C- (55-59)		

Course Policies

- Exams will require that students explain their reasoning and calculations. All diagrams should be properly labelled (e.g., label all axes, lines, intercepts and points of interest such as intersections and tangents).
- Students are expected to attend all classes. If unable to attend a class, they do NOT need to inform the Professor (nor present a student declaration of absence form) but should get notes from another student.
- In the event of University closure when a quiz or midterm exam is to be held (e.g., due to heavy snow), the quiz/exam will be held in the course's next class time.
- If a student is unable to write an in-class quiz for any reason, the weight of the quiz will be added to the final exam.
- If a student is unable to write a midterm exam for any reason, the weight of the exam will be divided proportionately on all subsequent exams.

Course Content

Consumer Theory

Budgets
Preferences
Utility
Choice
Individual and Market Demand
Income/Substitution Effects

Producer Theory

Technology
Input and Output Choices
Individual and Market Supply
Market Structure
Competition
Monopoly / Monopsony
Oligopoly

Game Theory

Equilibrium

Social Welfare

Market Failures

Externalities
Public Goods
Asymmetric Information



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University Policies and Statements

This course is governed by the academic rules and regulations set forth in the University Calendar and by Senate

Academic Integrity

At Dalhousie University, we are guided in all of our work by the values of academic integrity: honesty, trust, fairness, responsibility and respect (The Center for Academic Integrity, Duke University, 1999). As a student, you are required to demonstrate these values in all of the work you do. The University provides policies and procedures that every member of the university community is required to follow to ensure academic integrity.

Information: https://www.dal.ca/dept/university_secretariat/academic-integrity.html

Accessibility

The Advising and Access Services Centre is Dalhousie's centre of expertise for student accessibility and accommodation. The advising team works with students who request accommodation as a result of a disability, religious obligation, or any barrier related to any other characteristic protected under Human Rights legislation (Canada and Nova Scotia).

Information: https://www.dal.ca/campus_life/academic-support/accessibility.html

Student Code of Conduct

Everyone at Dalhousie is expected to treat others with dignity and respect. The Code of Student Conduct allows Dalhousie to take disciplinary action if students don't follow this community expectation. When appropriate, violations of the code can be resolved in a reasonable and informal manner—perhaps through a restorative justice process. If an informal resolution can't be reached, or would be inappropriate, procedures exist for formal dispute resolution.

Code: https://www.dal.ca/dept/university_secretariat/policies/student-life/code-of-student-conduct.html

Diversity and Inclusion – Culture of Respect

Every person at Dalhousie has a right to be respected and safe. We believe inclusiveness is fundamental to education. We stand for equality. Dalhousie is strengthened in our diversity. We are a respectful and inclusive community. We are committed to being a place where everyone feels welcome and supported, which is why our Strategic Direction prioritizes fostering a culture of diversity and inclusiveness

Statement: <http://www.dal.ca/cultureofrespect.html>

Recognition of Mi'kmaq Territory

Dalhousie University would like to acknowledge that the University is on Traditional Mi'kmaq Territory. The Elders in Residence program provides students with access to First Nations elders for guidance, counsel and support. Visit or e-mail the Indigenous Student Centre (1321 Edward St) (elders@dal.ca).

Information: https://www.dal.ca/campus_life/communities/indigenous.html

Important Dates in the Academic Year (including add/drop dates)

<https://academiccalendar.dal.ca/Catalog/ViewCatalog.aspx?pageid=viewcatalog&catalogid=117&chapterid=-1&topicgroupid=31821&loaduseredits=False>

University Grading Practices

https://www.dal.ca/dept/university_secretariat/policies/academic/grading-practices-policy.html



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Student Resources and Support

Advising

General Advising https://www.dal.ca/campus_life/academic-support/advising.html

Science Program Advisors: <https://www.dal.ca/faculty/science/current-students/undergrad-students/degree-planning.html>

Indigenous Student Centre: https://www.dal.ca/campus_life/communities/indigenous.html

Black Students Advising Centre: https://www.dal.ca/campus_life/communities/black-student-advising.html

International Centre: https://www.dal.ca/campus_life/international-centre/current-students.html

Academic supports

Library: <https://libraries.dal.ca/>

Writing Centre: https://www.dal.ca/campus_life/academic-support/writing-and-study-skills.html

Studying for Success: https://www.dal.ca/campus_life/academic-support/study-skills-and-tutoring.html

Copyright Office: <https://libraries.dal.ca/services/copyright-office.html>

Fair Dealing Guidelines <https://libraries.dal.ca/services/copyright-office/fair-dealing.html>

Other supports and services

Student Health & Wellness Centre: https://www.dal.ca/campus_life/health-and-wellness.html

Student Advocacy: <https://dsu.ca/dsas>

Ombudsperson: https://www.dal.ca/campus_life/safety-respect/student-rights-and-responsibilities/where-to-get-help/ombudsperson.html

Safety

Biosafety: <https://www.dal.ca/dept/safety/programs-services/biosafety.html>

Chemical Safety: <https://www.dal.ca/dept/safety/programs-services/chemical-safety.html>

Radiation Safety: <https://www.dal.ca/dept/safety/programs-services/radiation-safety.html>

Scent-Free Program: <https://www.dal.ca/dept/safety/programs-services/occupational-safety/scent-free.html>

Dalhousie COVID-19 information and updates: <https://www.dal.ca/covid-19-information-and-updates.html>