

Master Course Syllabus

ECON 2302 Principles of Microeconomics (4506015125)

*****NOTE TO STUDENT*****

Student success is our number one priority at Coastal Bend College and we realize that prompt, effective communication plays a significant role in achieving that goal. It is vitally important that you have the proper contact information for your instructor. This should include their phone number, email address, and if applicable, their office number, and office hours. If you ever have any problems contacting your instructor, or do not receive a prompt response to your inquiries, please contact the Assistant Dean of Academics or the Dean of Academics as soon as possible. Their contact information is provided below:

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We wish you all the best in your education and encourage you to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

Keeping student success in sight, faculty in each of the courses will review with students, course information with specific reading schedules, assignments, and testing information during the first week of class. Additionally, the course information will be posted to Blackboard (THECB 60x30TX compliance).

Course Description: Analysis of the behavior of individual economic agents, including consumer behavior and demand, producer behavior and supply, price and output decisions by firms under various market structures, factor markets, market failures, and international trade.

Semester Hours Credit: 3

Lecture/Lab Hours: 3-0

Pre-Requisite: None

Textbook(s): *Microeconomics*, 21st edition **ISBN:** 9781260152692

Student Learning Outcomes:

Upon successful completion of this course, students will:

1. Explain the role of scarcity, specialization, opportunity cost and cost/benefit analysis in economic decision-making.
2. Identify the determinants of supply and demand; demonstrate the impact of shifts in both market supply and demand curves on equilibrium price and output.
3. Summarize the law of diminishing marginal utility; describe the process of utility maximization.
4. Calculate supply and demand elasticities, identify the determinants of price elasticity of demand and supply, and demonstrate the relationship between elasticity and total revenue.
5. Describe the production function and the Law of Diminishing Marginal Productivity; calculate and graph short-run and long-run costs of production.
6. Identify the four market structures by characteristics; calculate and graph the profit maximizing price and quantity in the output markets by use of marginal analysis.
7. Determine the profit maximizing price and quantity of resources in factor markets under perfect and imperfect competition by use of marginal analysis.
8. Describe governmental efforts to address market failure such as monopoly power, externalities, and public goods.
9. Identify the benefits of free trade using the concept of comparative advantage.

Course Outline:

- Week 1:** Elasticity (Textbook- Chapter 6)
- Week 2:** Utility Maximization (Textbook- Chapter 7)
- Week 3:** Behavioral Economics (Textbook- Chapter 8)
- Week 4:** Business and the Costs of Production (Textbook- Chapter 9)
- Week 5:** Pure Competition in the Short Run (Textbook- Chapter 10)
- Week 6:** Pure Competition in the Long Run (Textbook- Chapter 11)



- Week 7:** Pure Monopoly (Textbook- Chapter 12)
- Week 8:** Monopolistic Competition and Oligopoly (Textbook-Chapter 13)
- Week 9:** Demand for Resources (Textbook- Chapter 14)
- Week 10:** Wage Determination (Textbook- Chapter 15)
- Week 11:** Rent, Interest, and Profit (Textbook- Chapter 16)
- Week 12:** Natural Resource and Energy Economics (Textbook- Chapter 17)
- Week 13:** Public Finance: Expenditures and Taxes (Textbook Chapter 18)
- Week 14:** Antitrust Policy and Regulation (Textbook- Chapter 19)
- Week 15:** Income Inequality, Poverty, and Discrimination (Textbook- Chapter 21)
- Week 16:** Finals

Evaluation Methods: Please see individualized instructor policies for course evaluation methods. Students will be assessed on the same measure, across each discipline, as per CBC guidelines.

Technical Support:

Email Support:	helpdesk@coastalbend.edu cabrigo@coastalbend.edu ycharles@coastalbend.edu
Telephone Support:	866-722-2838 ext. 2508 (Toll Free) 361.354.2508 (Direct Line)
Live Chat:	Fall/Spring Hours: Monday-Thursday 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Summer Hours: Monday-Thursday 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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available at all CBC site locations and students can visit each site’s SSC. For questions regarding tutoring services, please contact the CBC Tutoring Coordinator at (361) 354-2838 extension 2578 or visit our website at: <http://coastalbend.edu/tutoring/>.

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3800 Charco Road Beeville, TX 78102 1-866-722-2838	704 Coyote Trail Alice, TX 78332 1-866-891-2981	1814 Brahma Blvd. Kingsville, TX 78363 1-866-262-1615	1411 Bensdale Pleasanton, TX 78064 1-866-361-4222

Grady C. Hogue Learning Resource Center (Library): Located on the Beeville campus, the operation hours are Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.; Friday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

(Summer semesters will observe the CBC campus operation hours.) For locations and hours of CBC library in Alice, Kingsville, and Pleasanton sites please visit the library web page links below.

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 Online Catalog : <http://lrc.coastalbend.edu/catalog>
 Library Website: <http://lrc.coastalbend.edu/about>
 Hours and Locations: <http://lrc.coastalbend.edu/hours>

Pleasanton Public Library: <https://pleasanton.biblionix.com/>
 115 N. Main St., Pleasanton, TX 78064
 Monday – Friday 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
 Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Financial Aid: Resources are available for students for financial aid, work study, and veteran benefits. For additional information, visit our website at www.coastalbend.edu/financialaid or contact us at 361-354-2238. Office hours: Monday-Thursday 7-6 and Friday 8-5.



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Use of E-mail for Official Correspondence to students: All students should be familiar with the college's official email student notification policy. Students are expected to check their CBC email on a frequent and regular basis to stay current with college-related communications, recognizing that certain communications may be time-critical. CBC email format: last name with last four digits of social security number [@study.coastalbend.edu](#) and password is your student ID (ex. cougar1234@study.coastalbend.edu).

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