



UNIVERSITÀ
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

COURSE SYLLABUS

Microeconomics

1920-1-E4101B007

Learning objectives

The course introduces students to the foundations of economic reasoning. In particular, we shall study the economic decisions of individual economic agents -- households and firms -- as well as how they interact under different market structures and the implication for social choice and policy.

Contents

Detailed program

DATA	TIPO	ARGOMENTO
4/3	L1	Introduction - Economics, demand and supply
9/3	L2	Consumer choice: budget sets
11/3	L3	Consumer's choice: optimal bundle

16/3	L4	Consumer's choice: optimal bundle (continues)
18/3	L5	Demand and comparative statics
23/3	L6	Price variations and consumer's welfare
25/3	E1	Exercises: consumer's choice
30/3	L7	Intertemporal choice and saving decisions
1/4	L8	Labor supply
6/4	L9	Technology and production
8/4	L10	Cost curves
20/4	E2	Exercises: labor supply, saving decisions, technology and costs
22/4	L11	Price-taking behavior
27/4	P1	FIRST PARTIAL EXAM
6/5	L12	Perfect competition
11/5	L13	Perfect competition (continues)
13/5	L14	Monopoly

18/5	L15	Game theory
20/5	E3	Exercises: perfect competition and monopoly
25/5	L16	Oligopoly
27/5	L17	Choices under uncertainty
3/6	L18	Externalities
8/6	E4	Exercises: game theory, oligopoly, uncertainty
10/6	L19	Asymmetric information
15/6	L20	Asymmetric information (continues)
26/6	P2	SECOND PARTIAL EXAM

Prerequisites

Calculus I

Teaching methods

Assessment methods

Two partial exams, each covering half of the program, including theoretical questions and exercises.

OR

One general exam, covering the all program.

Textbooks and Reading Materials

Varian H., Microeconomia, Libreria Editrice Cafoscarina, 2011.

Semester

March - June 2020

Teaching language

Italian
