

Principles of Microeconomics  
ECON 2010 - Spring 2021  
University of Colorado Boulder

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questions. The final score will be completed by adding up all points while discarding 5 questions with the lowest score. There will be no make-up attempts if you failwesuw (pte (ow)1Ther)-

addition to watching lecture videos, I expect you to read the corresponding chapters in the book every week.

## Recitations

Recitations will begin the second week of classes on Wednesday. It is essential for you to attend the recitations to grasp the material. TA (Teaching Assistant) conducting recitations will grade your performance which will count toward the final grade. Your TA will explain recitation grading policy. All recitations are going to be held online. You must attend the section that you've been assigned to. In extremely rare cases, when you must switch to a different section due to academic reasons, contact Lead TA Anja Gruber at [Anja.Gruber@colorado.edu](mailto:Anja.Gruber@colorado.edu). There is no guarantee that you will be allowed to switch and the decisions will be made on case by case basis.

## Required book, Web -platform and Homework

The required text is *Paul Krugman and Robin Wells, Microeconomics, 5th edition, 2015, Worth Publishers*. In addition to the text you are required to sign up for **Achieve** to complete weekly assignments.

To keep the cost of your course materials as low as possible and access to those materials as convenient as possible, we have collaborated with the CU Book Store and the publisher to deliver those materials through a program called "Inclusive Access", which will appear on your tuition and fee bill as "Day 1 Digital Access".

What does this mean for you?

- You will receive access to all your digital course materials on the first day of classes through your Canvas page.
- You will see a "Day 1 Digital Access" charge on your tuition and fee bill for: **\$89.98**. This is a low price discounted by the publisher, and not available outside this course
- You have the option to opt out. This means: you won't pay for anything, but you lose all access to the course materials, including homework manager.
- You can opt out by using a link in a reminder email you will receive with the subject heading "Day 1 Digital Access".
- You must opt out before February 4th, otherwise you will be charged for the materials.
- Please keep in mind that "opting out" means that your access to these materials will be turned off.

Achieve Platform allows you to access ebook and homework assignments. To gain access you will need to sign up in CANVAS. You can find the instructions on how to sign up [here](#).

Every week you will need to complete one homework assignment. The assignments will become available on Wednesday in the Assignment section. The deadline for each assignment will be posted on CANVAS homepage. There will be no make-up assignments for missed homework. I will discard one homework assignment with the

lowest score when calculating your final grade. Achieve Platform is also used for extra-credit assignments and contains non-graded pre-class videos.

## Exams and Grading

Exams will be conducted online using Proctorio. Students will have to register there and complete a practice quiz before the first midterm. Clear instructions on how to register will be posted on CANVAS homepage.

### ***Important dates:***

Midterm I: February 16<sup>th</sup>

Midterm II: March 30<sup>th</sup>

Final: May 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup>

We will have two midterms and a cumulative final exam. The exams will be remotely proctored. There will be no make up exams. The weights of the final grade are as follows:

Final exam: 40%

Maximum of Midterm I and Midterm II: 30%

In-video questions: 10%

Homework assignments: 10%

Recitations: 10%

Total: 100%

(Extra Credit: 2%)

When calculating the final grade for the class, I will use the maximum score you get for either of the two midterms. Hence, if you miss one of the midterms, the score for this test will be automatically dropped. However, if you miss both midterms due to a documented medical reason (you will have to provide proofs for both), the weight of the midterm will be shifted to the final exam.

Extra credit assignments are not required. Only complete them if you need additional practice/help with your reading or you feel that you will need extra points. Extra-credit points can account for a maximum of 2% of your total grade. Extra-credit assignments will have deadlines and are accessible via Achieve.

There will be no make up exams or other extra-credit assignments. If your scores for both midterms are in top 5% of the class, you will get 10% added to your final exam.

## Office Hours and Contact Information

Office hours will be held in Zoom. You can attend office hours of any TA. You can also attend office hours held by the professor. The schedule and zoom links for office hours are available [here](#).

If you have questions or concerns you can contact your assigned TA or the Lead TA for this course Anja Gruber at [Anja.Gruber@colorado.edu](mailto:Anja.Gruber@colorado.edu). You may also contact the instructor at [Sergey.Nigai@colorado.edu](mailto:Sergey.Nigai@colorado.edu). Please use your official school email address.

We will not be able to respond to personal email. Include the subject "ECON2010 - Spring 2021" and state your name and section.

## Accommodation for Disabilities

If you qualify for accommodations because of a disability, please contact Lead TA with your information in the first two weeks of classes.

Disability Services determines accommodations based on documented disabilities in the academic environment. Information on requesting accommodations is located on the [Disability Services website](#). Contact Disability Services at 303-492-8671 or [dsinfo@colorado.edu](mailto:dsinfo@colorado.edu) for further assistance. If you have a temporary medical condition, see [Temporary Medical Conditions](#) on the Disability Services website.

## Spring Pause

The week of March 22-26 will be used in this class as a "spring pause" to provide us all with a safe and supportive way to promote health, wellness and learning without leaving campus. During this week, we won't have any exams or assignments due. We will still have class with interactive class activities that will require your attendance and be part of your final course grade. Attendance is still required for all class sessions that week, except for the campus-wide wellneek, (s)-1 - to (hTh)1 (es)-1 (e gr)1 (e- t)-3 (,)-3 (ar)2 (c)-1.1 (h)5 (r)

- wear a face covering in public indoor spaces and outdoors while on campus consistent with state and county health orders,
- clean local work area,
- practice hand hygiene,
- follow public health orders, and
- if sick and you live off campus, do not come onto campus (unless instructed by a CU Healthcare professional), or if you live on-campus, please alert CU Boulder Medical Services.

Students who fail to adhere to these requirements will be asked to leave class, and students who do not leave class when asked or who refuse to comply with these requirements will be referred to Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution. For more information, see the policies on COVID-19 Health and Safety and classroom behavior and the Student Code of Conduct. If you require accommodation because a disability prevents you from fulfilling these safety measures, please see the “Accommodation for Disabilities” statement on this syllabus.

All students who are new to campus must complete the COVID-19 Student Health and Expectations Course. Before coming to campus each day, all students are required to complete the Buff Pass.

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### ***Sexual Misconduct, Discrimination, Harassment and/or Related Retaliation***

The University of Colorado Boulder (CU Boulder) is committed to fostering an inclusive and welcoming learning, working, and living environment. CU Boulder will not tolerate acts of sexual misconduct (harassment, exploitation, and assault), intimate partner violence (dating or domestic violence), stalking, or protected-class discrimination or harassment by members of our community. Individuals who believe they have been subject to misconduct or retaliatory actions for reporting a concern should contact the Office of Institutional Equity and Compliance (OIEC) at 303-492-2127 or [cureport@colorado.edu](mailto:cureport@colorado.edu). Information about the OIEC, university policies, anonymous reporting, and the campus resources can be found on the OIEC website.

Please know that faculty and graduate instructors have a responsibility to inform OIEC when made aware of incidents of sexual misconduct, dating and domestic violence, stalking, discrimination, harassment and/or related retaliation, to ensure that individuals impacted receive information about options for reporting and support resources.

### ***Religious Holidays***

Campus policy regarding religious observances requires that faculty make every effort to deal reasonably and fairly with all students who, because of religious obligations, have conflicts with scheduled exams, assignments or required attendance. In this class, email me the details in advance.