CASPER COLLEGE COURSE SYLLABUS

Course Number and Title: ECON 1020-01  Microeconomic Principles

Semester/Year: Fall 2006

Lecture Hours: 3  Lab Hours: 0  Credit Hours: 3

Class Time: 10:00-10:50 a.m.  Days: MWF  Room: AD 283

Instructor: Dr. Thomas Schellberg

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Office Hours: TTHF 11:00 – 11:50 a.m.
               MW 1:00 - 1:50 p.m.;
               W 6:00 - 6:50 p.m.

Course Description: An introduction to the economics behavior of firms and households in a market economy and the environment in which they operate. Also studies the roles of government and foreign trade, as it relates to the decisions of firms and households.

Statement of Prerequisites: There are no prerequisites, but knowledge of graphing and coordinate geometry would be helpful.

General Objectives: The student will gain an understanding of markets and how they can be analyzed to evaluate the critical issues of our day.

Specific Objectives: See attached course outline.

Outcomes: You will be evaluated on your understanding of economics through your performance on written examinations and on performance on pretest and posttest outcomes assessment questions.

Methodology: Lectures, with the opportunity for in-class questions and discussion.

Evaluation Criteria: The course grade is based on three hour exams, three quizzes, five homework assignments, and one comprehensive final. Each of the hour exams, as well as the quiz average, counts for 20% of the final grade.

The lowest of these four grades will be dropped. In addition, homework will be collected and will count for 10% of the final grade, and the final exam will count for 30% of the final grade.

Regular class attendance is strongly recommended, but not required. Your course grade is not explicitly based on the number of classes attended. However, attendance is required on the following exam dates, as makeup exams are only given in extraordinary circumstances (e.g. you
are seriously ill). So plan your schedule now so that these dates are available.

**Exam Dates:**

- **First Exam:** Friday, September 29, 2006
- **Second Exam:** Friday, November 3, 2006
- **Third Exam:** Friday, December 8, 2006

The dates for each of the three quizzes (10-15 minutes each) will be announced on the previous class period, and **attendance is required** for these also. So if you miss a class, check about possible upcoming quizzes through me or through the grapevine. The final will be held in this classroom. The date of the final will be announced later.

**Homework:** Five homework assignments will be given during the course of the semester. They will be collected and graded, and they will only help you learn the material if you work these assignments before they are reviewed in class. **No homework assignments will be accepted after Friday, December 8, 2006.**


In addition, brief outside readings from current periodicals may be assigned from time to time.

**Last Date to Change to Audit Status or Withdraw with a W Grade:** Friday, November 3, 2006

**Student Rights and Responsibilities:** Please refer to the Casper College Student Conduct and Judicial Code for information concerning your rights and responsibilities as a Casper College Student.

**Chain of Command:** If you have problems with this class, you should first contact the instructor in order to solve the problem. If you are not satisfied with the solution offered by the instructor, you should then take your problem through the appropriate chain of command starting with the department head, then the division chair, and lastly the vice president for academic affairs.

**Academic Dishonesty – Cheating and Plagiarism:** Casper College demands intellectual honesty. Proven plagiarism or any form of dishonesty associated with the academic process can result in the offender failing the course in which the offense was committed or expulsion from school. See the Casper College Student Code of Conduct.

**ADA Accommodations Policy:** It is the policy of Casper College to provide appropriate accommodations to any student with a documented disability. If you have a need for accommodation in this course, please make an appointment to see me at your earliest convenience.
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**FALL 2006**

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