# University of Colorado Boulder Special T

## COURSE OBJECTIVES

By the end of the course you should be able to:

Illustrate how microeconomic theory applies to business decisions. Apply the supply and demand model to managerial decisions. Demonstrate basic and advanced pricing techniques to increase economic profit. Apply the concepts of present value, net present value and future value to make managerial decision. viewpoints of other students in the class. It is therefore necessary to participate throughout the week in the discussion questions, not wait until the last minute to post on discussion topics.

### EVALUATION AND GRADING

Course grades will be determined by the completion of quizzes, case study analysis, other assignments, and exams, as shown below:

Assignment\*

Quiz	(10)	* (11)	= 110	11%	
Case Study Analysis					

(360 POINTS) – There will be ten (10) 40-point problem sets, discussion postings, or Excel spreadsheet exercises (or a combination). The lowest one (1) weekly work is dropped from the final grade calculation.

Problem sets will be a combination of calculations, graphical analysis, and short answer questions.

Discussion postings will occur asynchronously; the instructor will post a discussion question and the student will (1) complete and initial post in response to the discussion question and (2) engage in discussion with classmates.

Excel spreadsheet exercises will require students to manipulate and interpret data related to the microeconomics of managerial decisions.

(350 POINTS) – There will be two (2) proctored exams. The midterm exam is worth 150 points and the cumulative final exam is worth 200 points. The exams will a combination multiple choice, calculation, graphical analysis, short answer, and Excel spreadsheet questions.

This course requires proctored examinations. Exams are proctored which will require planning on your part. Proctors are individuals who administer the exam process following the guidelines provided by University of Colorado Boulder to ensure academic integrity.

#### Who can be my proctor?

If you are in Boulder or nearby, you can take your exam:

1. With Proctorio or a comparable online proctoring service as determined by your instructor. Online proctoring is a service that uses a webcam and microphone to ensure academic integrity. To use this service, you must have access to a computer with a webcam and a microphone. There is no cost for using this proctor.

If you outside of Boulder, you can take your exam:

1. At an accredited college or university testing center

Communication – I am nice and I want you to succeed. Do not hesitate to contact me about anything. Yes, anything.

#### E-mail

Instructor Karen Gebhardt <u>karen.gebhardt</u> @colorado.edu All e-mail sent to me shou Visit the official <u>Canvas Computer Specifications Page</u> for the latest list of recommended system requirements.

#### Which browsers does Canvas support?

Visit the <u>Supported Browsers Page</u> for the detailed list of internet browsers in Windows, MacOS, iOS and Android.

#### **Skill Requirements**

Students also need to possess basic computer skills, such as:

- How to use a web browser and word processor
- How to send and receive email
- How to locate a file and attach it to an email or upload a file into a course
- o How to copy and paste
- o Must know basic typing skills and keyboard commands
- o Must know basic computer terminology

#### **Technical Support**

Canvas technical support. If you are experiencing issues with Canvas please contact:

- CU Boulder's Help desk at 303-735-4357 (5-HELP) or <u>help@colorado.edu</u>. 5-Help will answer your call: Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Saturday and Sunday from noon to 6:00 p.m., Closed during <u>University Holidays</u>
- o On your computer, click the "help" (?) icon on the left side of Canvas, once logged in
- Within the Canvas App, you can search the Canvas support guides, Report a Problem or chat with Canvas Support 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

#### MyLab tech support:

• <u>https://help.pearsoncmg.com/ccng/ccng\_instr/ccng\_xmel\_instr\_help\_support\_bridge.html</u> or <u>https://support.pearson.com/getsupport/s/</u>

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address you by an alternate name or gender pronoun. Please advise me of this preference early in the semester so that I may make appropriate changes to my records. For more information, see the policies on <u>classroom behavior</u> and the <u>Student Code of Conduct</u>.

#### HONOR CODE

All students enrolled in a University of Colorado Boulder course are responsible for knowing and adhering to the Honor Code. Violations of the policy may include: plagiarism, cheating, fabrication, lying, bribery, threat, unauthorized access to academic materials, clicker fraud, submitting the same or similar work in more than one course without permission from all course instructors involved, and aiding academic dishonesty. All incidents of academic misconduct will be reported to the Honor Code (honor@colorado.edu); 303-492-5550). Students who are found responsible for violating the academic integrity policy will be subject to nonacademic sanctions from the Honor Code as well as academic sanctions from the faculty member. Additional information regarding the Honor Code academic integrity policy can be found at the Honor Code Office website.

#### SEXUAL MISCONDUCT, DISCRIMINATION, HARASSMENT AND/OR RELATED RETALIATION

The University of Colorado Boulder (CU Boulder) is committed to fostering a positive and welcoming learning, working, and living environment. CU Boulder will not tolerate acts of sexual misconduct intimate partner abuse (including dating or domestic violence), stalking, protected-class discrimination or harassment by members of our le for violating

A variety of instructional support services, such as writing center, guidance on personal or educational issues, tutoring questions and library resources are available to the students. For more information about their services, visit their websites linked under modules on Canvas.

#### **REQUIREMENTS FOR COVID-19**

As a matter of public health and safety due to the pandemic, all members of the CU Boulder community and all visitors to campus must follow university, department and building requirements, and public health orders in place to reduce the risk of spreading infectious disease. Required safety measures at CU Boulder relevant to the classroom setting include:

maintain 6-foot distancing when possible,

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 <u>CU Boulder Medical Services</u>.

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 <u>Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution</u>. For more information, see the policies on <u>COVID-19 Health and Safety</u> and <u>classroom behavior</u> and the <u>Student Code of Conduct</u>. If you require accommodation because a disability prevents you from fulfilling these safety measures, please see the "Accommodation for Disabilities" statement on this syllabus.

Before returning to campus, all students must complete the <u>COVID-19 Student Health and Expectations Course</u>. Before coming on to campus each day, all students are required to complete a <u>Daily Health Form</u>.

Students who have tested positive for COVID-19, have symptoms of COVID-19, or have had close contact with someone who has tested positive for or had symptoms of COVID-19 must stay home and complete the <u>Health Questionnaire and</u> <u>Illness Reporting Form</u> remotely. In this class, if you are sick or quarantined, please let me know via email or by calling/texting.

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Module Readings (start date)	Topics			