# ECON 8747-001 INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATION

# **Empirical Methods in Industrial Organization and Regulation**

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