

AP[®] Microeconomics

Your Course at a Glance

Plan

The Course at a Glance provides a useful visual organization of the AP Microeconomics curricular components, including:

- Sequence of units, along with approximate weighting and suggested pacing. Please note, pacing is based on 45-minute class periods, meeting five days each week for a full academic semester.
- Progression of topics within each unit.
- Spiraling of the big ideas and skills across units.

Teach

SKILL CATEGORIES

Skill categories spiral throughout the course.

- 1

Principles and Models
- 2

Interpretation
- 3

Manipulation
- 4

Graphing and Visuals

BIG IDEAS

Big Ideas spiral across topics and units.

- MKT

Scarcity and Markets
- CBA

Costs, Benefits, and Marginal Analysis
- PRD

Production Choices and Behavior
- POL

Market Inefficiency and Public Policy

Assess

Assign the Personal Progress Checks—either as homework or in class—for each unit. Each Personal Progress Check contains formative multiple-choice and free-response questions. The feedback from the Personal Progress Checks shows students the areas where they need to focus.

UNIT 1	UNIT 2	UNIT 3	UNIT 4	UNIT 5	UNIT 6
Basic Economic Concepts	Supply and Demand	Production, Cost, and the Perfect Competition Model	Imperfect Competition	Factor Markets	Market Failure and the Role of Government
~9–11 Class Periods12–15% AP Exam Weighting	~13–15 Class Periods20–25% AP Exam Weighting	~11–13 Class Periods22–25% AP Exam Weighting	~8–10 Class Periods15–22% AP Exam Weighting	~6–8 Class Periods10–13% AP Exam Weighting	~9–11 Class Periods8–13% AP Exam Weighting
<div><div>MKT1</div><div>1.1 Scarcity</div></div> <div><div>MKT1</div><div>1.2 Resource Allocation and Economic Systems</div></div> <div><div>MKT4</div><div>1.3 Production Possibilities Curve</div></div> <div><div>MKT1</div><div>1.4 Comparative Advantage and Trade</div></div> <div><div>CBA1</div><div>1.5 Cost-Benefit Analysis</div></div> <div><div>CBA2</div><div>1.6 Marginal Analysis and Consumer Choice</div></div>	<div><div>MKT4</div><div>2.1 Demand</div></div> <div><div>MKT4</div><div>2.2 Supply</div></div> <div><div>MKT3</div><div>2.3 Price Elasticity of Demand</div></div> <div><div>MKT3</div><div>2.4 Price Elasticity of Supply</div></div> <div><div>MKT3</div><div>2.5 Other Elasticities</div></div> <div><div>MKT2</div><div>2.6 Market Equilibrium and Consumer and Producer Surplus</div></div> <div><div>MKT3</div><div>2.7 Market Disequilibrium and Changes in Equilibrium</div></div> <div><div>POL4</div><div>2.8 The Effects of Government Intervention in Markets</div></div> <div><div>POL4</div><div>2.9 International Trade and Public Policy</div></div>	<div><div>PRD1</div><div>3.1 The Production Function</div></div> <div><div>PRD4</div><div>3.2 Short-Run Production Costs</div></div> <div><div>PRD1</div><div>3.3 Long-Run Production Costs</div></div> <div><div>CBA1</div><div>3.4 Types of Profit</div></div> <div><div>CBA2</div><div>3.5 Profit Maximization</div></div> <div><div>PRD2</div><div>3.6 Firms’ Short-Run Decisions to Produce and Long-Run Decisions to Enter or Exit a Market</div></div> <div><div>PRD4</div><div>3.7 Perfect Competition</div></div>	<div><div>PRD1</div><div>4.1 Introduction to Imperfectly Competitive Markets</div></div> <div><div>PRD4</div><div>4.2 Monopoly</div></div> <div><div>PRD4</div><div>4.3 Price Discrimination</div></div> <div><div>PRD4</div><div>4.4 Monopolistic Competition</div></div> <div><div>PRD2</div><div>4.5 Oligopoly and Game Theory</div></div>	<div><div>PRD1</div><div>5.1 Introduction to Factor Markets</div></div> <div><div>PRD3</div><div>5.2 Changes in Factor Demand and Factor Supply</div></div> <div><div>PRD2</div><div>5.3 Profit-Maximizing Behavior in Perfectly Competitive Factor Markets</div></div> <div><div>PRD2</div><div>5.4 Monopsonistic Markets</div></div>	<div><div>POL2</div><div>6.1 Socially Efficient and Inefficient Market Outcomes</div></div> <div><div>POL4</div><div>6.2 Externalities</div></div> <div><div>POL1</div><div>6.3 Public and Private Goods</div></div> <div><div>POL4</div><div>6.4 The Effects of Government Intervention in Different Market Structures</div></div> <div><div>POL1</div><div>6.5 Inequality</div></div>
<div>Personal Progress Check 1</div> <div>Multiple-choice: ~20 questions</div> <div>Free-response: 2 questions</div> <div><div>• Short</div><div>• Short</div></div>	<div>Personal Progress Check 2</div> <div>Multiple-choice: ~25 questions</div> <div>Free-response: 2 questions</div> <div><div>• Short</div><div>• Short</div></div>	<div>Personal Progress Check 3</div> <div>Multiple-choice: ~20 questions</div> <div>Free-response: 2 questions</div> <div><div>• Short</div><div>• Short</div></div>	<div>Personal Progress Check 4</div> <div>Multiple-choice: ~15 questions</div> <div>Free-response: 2 questions</div> <div><div>• Short</div><div>• Long</div></div>	<div>Personal Progress Check 5</div> <div>Multiple-choice: ~10 questions</div> <div>Free-response: 1 question</div> <div><div>• Short</div></div>	<div>Personal Progress Check 6</div> <div>Multiple-choice: ~15 questions</div> <div>Free-response: 2 questions</div> <div><div>• Short</div><div>• Long</div></div>