Managerial Economics  BUSN-6120

Meeting Times

Wednesday: 6:00 - 10:00 P.M. EST  **This is a cross-listed course with many sections**

January 06 - March 03

Class will meet via Zoom - the link will be posted in WorldClassroom

**NOTE:** ALL NCR courses begin at 6:00 pm – sometimes even after reviewing will default back to central time reviewing) the time reverts to a different time zone.

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Description

The student examines the application of microeconomic theory as applied to the managers' responsibilities within the organization. This course should emphasize the quantitative and qualitative application of economic principles to business analysis.

Requisites

BUSN 5620 and BUSN 5760

Outcomes

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<td>1. Students understand how market forces affect price and quantity</td>
<td>Students can utilize basic supply and demand analysis (graphical and quantitative) to predict the likely impact of events on the price and quantity sold of any product.</td>
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<td>2. Students understand elasticity and its relationship to pricing and revenue</td>
<td>Students can both calculate elasticity and estimate elasticity empirically. Given the result the student can correct predict the effect of a given change in price on revenue.</td>
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<td>3. Students can utilize statistical analysis to assess product demand conditions</td>
<td>Students can take provided data and correctly estimate a demand function, determine the statistical significance, calculate the product elasticities (price, cross, and income) and infer the implications of that information to market demand conditions. Students can also learn how to measure risk and uncertainty, and then incorporate these measures into their business decision making.</td>
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4. Students can utilize industry analysis to assess market position

Students can identify which of the four primary market structures most appropriately correlates to an industry. The student can draw inferences regarding firm behavior and performance.

Students can identify the Oligopolistic model that best describes the behavior of an Oligopolistic industry.

Students can use basic game theoretic analysis to describe the behavior of firms in an Oligopolistic industry.

Students can also utilize Michael Porter’s Five-forces model to assess market potential and gain draw inferences regarding firm behavior and potential performance.

**Required Textbook**

Managerial Economics & Business Strategy

* Author: Baye Connect
* Publisher: MCG
* Edition: 9th
* ISBN: 978-1259354342

**Materials**

Textbook title and ISBN posted here:

http://www.bkstr.com/websteronlinestore/home

Start here - follow drop down menus

**Deliverables**

* Live Online Zoom Video Meetings
* Utilize the online course shell materials
* Lecture and review of the weekly assigned chapters
* Topic discussion and review of related weekly news
* Class discussion and participation
* Review of the weekly assigned problems
* Review of in-class assigned questions and problems

**Evaluation**

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Total 100 Percent

**Schedule**

**WEEKLY COURSE SCHEDULE**

WEEK 1, Jan. 06
Course Orientation
Chapter 1: The Fundamental of Managerial Economics
Assignment:
Question: 01, Page 23
Problem: 11, Page 25

WEEK 2, Jan. 13
Chapter 2: Market Forces, Demand and Supply
Chapter 3: Quantitative Demand Analysis
Assignment:
Question: 2, 3 & 8, Page 59
Question: 1 & 2, 4, Page 95-56

WEEK 3, Jan. 20
Chapter 4: The Theory of Individual Behavior
Chapter 5: Production Process and Costs
Assignments:
Question: 1 & 2 & 5, Page 128
Question: 2, Page 167

WEEK 4, Jan. 27
Chapter 6: The Organization of the Firm
Chapter 7: The Nature of Industry
Assignment:
Question: 2, 3 & 5, Page 196
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Question: 1 & 2, page 225

WEEK 5, Feb. 03
Mid-term Examination
Chapter 8: Managing in Competitive Monopolistic, and Monopolistically Competitive Markets
Assignment:
Question: 2, 3 & 4, Page 264

WEEK 6, Feb. 10
Chapter 9: Basic Oligopoly Models
Chapter 11: Pricing Strategies for Firms with Market Power
Assignment:
Question: 1 & 2, Pages 295-296
Question: 2 & 3, Page 367

WEEK 7, Feb. 17
Chapter 12: The Economics of Information
Assignment:
Question: 1 & 2, Pages 400-401

WEEK 8, Feb. 24
Chapter 14: A Manager's Guide to Government in the Marketplace
Assignment:
Question: 1 & 2, Page 462

WEEK 9, March 03
Final Examination

ONLINE EVALUATION: https://evaluation.webster.edu - available weeks 8 & 9, posted in WorldClassroom as well

Course Policies

* Students are expected to read the weekly assigned chapter(s) to be prepared to discuss and participate in class discussion questions.
Please silence all cell phones during class (set to vibrate for emergency calls is acceptable). Even while meeting remotely a ringing phone can be distracting.

**Institutional Policies**

**Academic Policies**

Academic policies provide students with important rights and responsibilities. Students are expected to familiarize themselves with all academic policies that apply to them. Academic policies for undergraduate students can be found in the Undergraduate Studies Catalog; graduate students should review the Graduate Studies Catalog.

**Undergraduate Studies Catalog**

The Undergraduate Studies Catalog contains academic policies that apply to all undergraduate students. The academic policies and information section of the catalog contains important information related to attendance, conduct, academic honesty, grades, and more. If you are an undergraduate student, please review the catalog each academic year. The current Undergraduate Studies Catalog is at:


**Graduate Studies Catalog**

The Graduate Studies Catalog contains academic policies that apply to all graduate students. The academic policies section of the catalog contains important information related to conduct, academic honesty, grades, and more. If you are a graduate student, please review the catalog each academic year. The current Graduate Studies Catalog is at:

[http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/graduate-catalog/](http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/graduate-catalog/)

**Grading**

The Grades section of the academic catalog outlines the various grading systems courses may use, including the information about the final grade reported for this class.

**Undergraduate**

[http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/undergraduate-catalog/academic-policies.html#grading](http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/undergraduate-catalog/academic-policies.html#grading)

**Graduate**

[http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/graduate-catalog/academic-policies.html#grades](http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/graduate-catalog/academic-policies.html#grades)

**Incomplete**

There are important policies that govern grades of Incomplete (I), including the circumstances under which Incomplete grades are granted, deadlines for completion, and consequences should the remaining course work not be completed. It is the responsibility of a student who requests an Incomplete to ensure that he/she understands and follows the policies.

**Grade Appeals**

Instructors are responsible for assigning grades, and students should discuss grade issues with the instructor. Policies and procedures for appealing grades are available in the appropriate catalog.

**Academic Honesty Policy**

Webster University is committed to academic excellence. As part of our Statement of Ethics, we strive to preserve academic honor and integrity by repudiating all forms of academic and intellectual dishonesty, including cheating, plagiarism and all other forms of academic dishonesty. Academic dishonesty is unacceptable and is subject to a disciplinary response. Students are encouraged to talk to instructors about any questions they may have regarding how to properly credit others’ work, including paraphrasing, quoting, and citation formatting. The university reserves the right to utilize electronic databases, such as Turnitin.com, to assist faculty and students with their academic work.

The University’s Academic Honesty Policy is published in academic catalogs:

**Undergraduate**

[http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/undergraduate-catalog/academic-policies.html](http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/undergraduate-catalog/academic-policies.html)
Graduate
http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/graduate-catalog/academic-policies.html
(https://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/graduate-catalog/academic-policies.html)

As a part of the University commitment to academic excellence, the Academic Resource Center provides student resources to become better acquainted with academic honesty and the tools to prevent plagiarism in its many forms:

http://www.webster.edu/arc/plagiarism_prevention/ (http://www.webster.edu/arc/plagiarism_prevention/)

Statement of Ethics
Webster University strives to be a center of academic excellence. The University makes every effort to ensure the following:

- The opportunity for students to learn and inquire freely
- The protection of intellectual freedom and the rights of professors to teach
- The advancement of knowledge through scholarly pursuits and relevant dialogue

To review Webster University's statement of ethics, see the Undergraduate Studies Catalog and the Graduate and Studies Catalog:

Undergraduate
http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/undergraduate-catalog/overview.html#ethics
(https://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/undergraduate-catalog/overview.html#ethics)

Graduate
http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/graduate-catalog/ethics.html (http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/graduate-catalog/ethics.html)

Contact Hours for this Course
It is essential that all classes meet for the full instructional time as scheduled. A class cannot be shortened in length. If a class session is cancelled for any reason, the content must be covered at another time.

Important Academic Resources
Academic Accommodations
Webster University makes every effort to accommodate individuals with academic/learning, health, physical and psychological disabilities. To obtain accommodations, students must identify themselves and provide documentation from a qualified professional or agency to the appropriate campus designee or the Academic ADA Coordinator at the main campus. The Academic ADA Coordinator may be reached at 314-246-7700 or disability@webster.edu (mailto:disability@webster.edu).

If you have already identified as a student with a documented disability and are entitled to classroom or testing accommodations, please inform the instructor of the accommodations you will require for this class at the beginning of the course.

Academic Resource Center
Additional support and resources may be accessed through the Academic Resource Center (ARC). Support and resources include academic counseling, accommodations, assistive technology, peer tutoring, plagiarism prevention, testing center services, and writing coaching. Visit www.webster.edu/arc (http://www.webster.edu/arc) or Loretto Hall 40 on the main campus for more information.

Student Success Portal
Webster University's Student Success Portal, powered by Starfish, is a communications tool to connect students with faculty members and campus support services. It allows faculty and staff members to communicate with you regarding academic achievements as well as areas where support may be helpful. You may use the portal to contact faculty and staff members for assistance and to arrange meetings. Activity in the portal will be communicated to your Webster University email account. The Student Success Portal is available via your course home page in WorldClassRoom or via Connections. Learn more about the Student Success Portal at http://www.webster.edu/success/students.html (http://www.webster.edu/success/students.html).

University Library
Webster University Library is dedicated to supporting the research needs and intellectual pursuits of students throughout the University's worldwide network. Resources include print and electronic books, journal articles, online databases, DVDs and streaming video, CDs and streaming music, datasets, and other specialized information. Services include providing materials at no cost and research help for basic questions to in-depth exploration of resources. The gateway to all of these resources and services is http://library.webster.edu (http://library.webster.edu). For support navigating the library's resources, see http://libanswers.webster.edu/ (http://libanswers.webster.edu/) for the many ways to contact library staff.
Drops and Withdrawals

Drop and withdrawal policies dictate processes for students who wish to unenroll from a course. Students must take proactive steps to unenroll; informing the instructor is not sufficient, nor is failing to attend. In the early days of the term or semester, students may DROP a course with no notation on their student record. After the DROP deadline, students may WITHDRAW from a course; in the case of a WITHDRAW, a grade of W appears on the student record. After the WITHDRAW deadline, students may not unenroll from a course.

Policies and a calendar of deadlines for DROP and WITHDRAW are at:

**Undergraduate**
http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/undergraduate-catalog/enrollment.html

**Graduate**
http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/graduate-catalog/enrollment.html

Academic Calendar - [http://www.webster.edu/academics/academic-calendar/](http://www.webster.edu/academics/academic-calendar/)

Current tuition rates, policies, and procedures, including details of pro-rated tuition refunds, are available in the “Tuition, Fees, and Refunds” section of Webster’s Academic Catalogs:

**Undergraduate**
http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/undergraduate-catalog/tuition.html

**Graduate**
http://www.webster.edu/catalog/current/graduate-catalog/tuition.html

Student Handbook and Other Important Policies

Student handbook and other non-academic policies may apply to you and may impact your experience in this class. Such policies include the student code of conduct, privacy, technology and communications, and more. Please review the handbook each year and be aware of policies that apply to you. The handbook is available at:


Sexual Assault, Harassment, and Other Sexual Offenses

Webster University makes every effort to educate the community to prevent sexual assault, harassment, and other sexual offenses from occurring, and is committed to providing support to those affected when this behavior does occur. To access information and resources or to review the Policy on Sexual Assault, Harassment, and Other Sexual Offenses, visit:

[http://www.webster.edu/sexual-misconduct/](http://www.webster.edu/sexual-misconduct/)

Research on Human Subjects

The Webster University Institutional Review Committee (IRB) is responsible for the review of all research on human subjects. The IRB process applies to all Webster University faculty, staff, and students and must be completed prior to any contact with human subjects. For more information on the IRB, visit:

[http://www.webster.edu/irb/index.html](http://www.webster.edu/irb/index.html)

Course Evaluations

At the end of this course, you will have the opportunity to provide feedback about your experience. Your input is extremely valuable to the university, your instructor, and the department that offers this course. Please provide your honest and thoughtful evaluation, as it helps the university to provide the best experience possible for all of its students.

Important Technology Information

**Connections Accounts**

Webster University provides all students, faculty, and staff with a University email account through Connections. Students are expected to activate their Connections account and regularly check incoming University email. Students may choose to have their University email forwarded to an alternate email address. Connections account holders can call the Help Desk (314-246-5995 or toll free at 1-866-435-7270) for assistance with this setup. Instructions are also provided on the Information Technology website at:
WorldClassRoom

WorldClassRoom is Webster’s Learning Content Management System (LMS). Your instructor may use WorldClassRoom to deliver important information, to hold class activities, to communicate grades and feedback, and more. WorldClassRoom is available using your Connections ID at:

https://worldclassroom.webster.edu/

Webster Alerts

Webster Alerts is the University's preferred emergency mass notification service, available free to current students, faculty and staff at all US campuses. By registering a valid cell phone number and email address, you will receive urgent campus text, voice mail and email communications. Valuable information concerning a range of incidents affecting you - from weather-related campus closures, class delays and cancellations, to more serious or life-threatening events - are immediately and simultaneously delivered through multiple communication channels. To register for Webster Alerts, visit:

http://www.webster.edu/technology/services/webster-alerts/

Campus Information

Due to the Education Centers not re-opening in the DC region for this term, please meet via Zoom for the Spring 1 term.

Instructors will post the meetings in WorldClassroom/Canvas for students to log in each week (added security measure). On the left side with all the hyperlinks there will be one for Zoom.

We recommend Chrome for the browser and please mute yourself when not speaking, also only you are able to unmute yourselves in Zoom. If there are many participants it also might be wise to disengage video too (or if bad weather) if low band width messages continually appear.

Joint Base Andrews NAF:
Phone (301) 420-2256
aafb@webster.edu

Additional Items

Emerson Library: library.webster.edu

There is a live chat feature - home page, contact a librarian (middle of page, middle box): Chat with a librarian on left side (might have to scroll down a bit) - accessible 24 hours a day.

The WSBT subject librarian is:

| Business & Management | Mary Anne Erwin | 800-985-4279 | maerwin@webster.edu |

Please use these excellent resources