

Economics 970: Seminar in Structure and Regulation of Industry

Credit Hours: 1-5, repeatable to the maximum of 30 credit hours

Course Listing: G

Grade: Letter Grade

Prerequisites: Economics 872 Industrial Organization II

Course Abstract: Economic bases for government participation in business activities: antitrust, regulation, and collective decision making. Topics and emphasis may vary depending on the instructor.

Format: Weekly Departmental Seminars in Applied Microeconomics with Invited Speakers

Time and Place: Thursday-3:30PM to 5:00PM, Arps 437 Seminar Room

Seminar Convener (Course Instructor)

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Course Objectives: To provide a forum in which the latest frontier research in applied microeconomics, including industrial organization field proper topics, is presented by invited speakers from established institutions around the world, in which advanced graduate students interact with frontier researchers, and in which graduate students practice writing referee reports and pro-seminar presentations.

Course Requirements and Evaluation:

1. Attend all seminars scheduled during the quarter: usually 10 seminars per quarter.
2. Write referee reports of approximately 7 pages (double line spaced, font size 11 or 12, 1 inch margins all around) for each seminar paper presented, and submit your referee report by Tuesday of the week following seminar presentation. The minimum number of referee reports required for variable credit hours is given below.

1 credit hr	2 credit hrs	3 credit hrs	4 credit hrs	5 credit hrs
2 reports	4 reports	6 reports	8 reports	10 reports

3. Meet with seminar speakers on a one-on-one basis to discuss your research, and provide a feedback report by Tuesday of the week following seminar presentation. The minimum number of speaker sessions required for variable credit hours is given below.

1 credit hr	2 credit hrs	3 credit hrs	4 credit hrs	5 credit hrs
1 speaker	1 speaker	2 speakers	3 speakers	4 speakers

4. Besides the required seminar attendance, all enrolled graduate students will meet with the seminar convener as a group on the 1st, 5th and 10th week of the quarter.

Applied Microeconomic Workshop (Seminar) Calendar

Date	Presenter	Institution	Paper
September 25	Astrid Kunze	Norwegian School of Economics	Heterogeneity of Wage Growth, the Return of Work after Birth Decision, and the Family Gap
October 02	Joel Waldfogel	U. of Pennsylvania	Music for a Song: An Empirical Look at Uniform Song Pricing and its Alternatives
October 09	Jun Nakabayashi	Ohio State University	Small Business Set-Asides in Procurement Auctions
October 16	Catherine Wolfram	University of California – Berkley	Sacred Cars? Optimal Regulation of Stationary and Non-Stationary Pollution Sources
October 23	Nels Christiansen	Ohio State University	Strategic Delegation in a Legislative Bargaining Model with Pork and Public Goods
October 30	Florian Zettelmeyer	Northwestern University	Pain at the Pump: How Gasoline Prices Affect Automobile Purchasing
November 06	Erin Mansur	Yale University	Market Organization and Efficiency in Electricity Markets
November 13	Youxin Hu	Ohio State University	Estimating eBay Bidders' Value Distribution Considering Reserve Prices
November 20	Michael Elsby	University of Michigan	Stepping off the Wage Escalator: The Effects of Wage Growth on Equilibrium Employment
November 27	Holiday		
December 04	Bruce Weinberg	Ohio State University	Leaders in Science

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