ECO 390: Health Economics
Thursdays, 9-10:15 AM on Zoom

INSTRUCTOR INFORMATION
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COURSE MEETING INFORMATION
We will have weekly, synchronous meetings every Thursday from 9:00-10:15 AM. I expect you to be on time and prepared each week. These meetings will be focused on discussing one, or more, readings that are listed in Canvas and addressing any questions from the readings.

CATALOG DESCRIPTION AND COURSE REQUIREMENTS
Examination of supply and demand for health care, medical malpractice, health insurance, government provision of health care, international comparisons, and health care reform.
Prerequisites: ECO 301

REQUIRED AND RECOMMENDED TEXTS/READINGS

Various journal articles and newspaper articles that will be distributed through Canvas.

COURSE-SPECIFIC STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES (SLOs)
Upon successful completion of this course students will be able to:

I. Analyze factors affecting the demand for health and health care
II. Describe the determinants of the supply of labor in health care markets
III. Evaluate policies that affect the supply of health care services
IV. Apply theories of adverse selection and moral hazard to understand insurance market failures
V. Explain how diminishing marginal utility of income creates a demand for insurance
VI. Describe the Beveridge, Bismarck, and American models of health policy
VII. Critique a health policy

EVALUATION AND GRADING
Evaluation will be based on a combination of quizzes, discussion board assignments, homework assignments, participation in Zoom discussions, two midterms, and a final exam or project (the precise form is open to discussion).

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Grading Scale
You will receive a score of 0 for any work not submitted.

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Quizzes
The quizzes are intended to check your comprehension of the readings from the textbook. If you read the textbook chapter(s) carefully, you should be able to answer all of the questions correctly.

Discussion Board
Each week will include a discussion board topic. I expect you to post a response to the topic of the week and to respond to at least two other posts. I have posted a rubric for how I will grade these assignments to Canvas.

Homework
Each module will include a homework assignment drawing on questions from the textbook and other questions as well. Homework assignments are due at 11:59 PM on the Monday after the (last) Zoom discussion for the module.

Zoom Discussion
We will meet every Thursday at 9:00 AM in Zoom for a discussion of the readings for the week and any articles that I have posted. These discussions will be automatically recorded. I will grade participation in the Zoom discussion based on how prepared you are for the discussion and how active you are in the discussion.

Midterm Exams
There will be two midterm exams. These exams will consist of a combination of true/false and multiple choice questions, short answer questions, and a longer essay question that requires you to think about all of the material being covered on the exam. Midterm #1 will cover modules 1, 2, and 3. Midterm #2 will cover modules 5-8. Modules 4, 9, and 10 will be assessed based on homework assignments and the final assignment.

COMMUNICATION AND COURSE TECHNICAL GUIDELINES
Technical support: Students with technical issues with the course and email should contact 6TECH for support either by email or phone or chat (https://its.uncg.edu/Help/6TECH/). Please also make your instructor aware of the issue, and if there will be any delays in resolving the issue.

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY POLICY
Each student is required to comply with the Academic Integrity Policy on all work submitted for the course. Refer to the following URL: https://osrr.uncg.edu/academic-integrity/.

ACCOMMODATIONS
UNCG seeks to comply fully with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Students requesting accommodations based on a disability must be registered with the Office of
Accessibility Resources and Services (OARS) in 215 Elliott University Center, 334-5440, oars.uncg.edu.

Students may request accommodations for religious holidays under applicable laws. See https://catalog.uncg.edu/academic-regulations-policies/university-policies/ for more information.

Students should remind the instructor in advance when accommodation affects course activities, e.g., before taking exams, to ensure that the instructor has updated systems accordingly.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS
Your health impacts your learning. Throughout your time in college, you may experience a range of health issues that can cause barriers to your learning. These might include physical ailments, illnesses, strained relationships, anxiety, high levels of stress, alcohol/drug problems, feeling down, or loss of motivation. Student Health Services and The Counseling Center can help with these or other issues you may be experiencing. You can learn about the free, confidential mental health services available on campus by calling 336-334-5874, visiting the website at https://shs.uncg.edu/ or visiting the Anna M. Gove Student Health Center at 107 Gray Drive. Help is always available.

ATTENDANCE AND LATE WORK/MAKEUP POLICIES
Students with university-related or requested absences, e.g., field trips in other courses or multiple exams during finals week, must make prior arrangements in advance for any conflicts with their schedule and due dates for the course.

Students should review the following Bryan School Faculty and Student Guidelines to understand the roles and responsibilities of both students and faculty.

FINAL EXAMINATION
A final exam or project will be required for the course. In either case, the assignment or exam will be due on December 4th.