General Information

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Credit points
10

Prerequisites
Admission to MBA or GradCertBusAdmin or GradDipBusAdmin or GradCertMgt or GradDipMgt

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description
This unit examines economic analysis concepts and tools that enable students to set an organisation’s decision-making within its wider economic context. Topics include supply, demand, and market equilibrium; scarcity; exchange and trade; choice theory; theory of the firm; game theory and strategy; market structure; asymmetric information; market failures. The unit looks at economic variables and how rises and falls in these variables affect individuals, businesses, and industries. It also teaches students how to apply experimentation in organisations.

Important Academic Dates
Information about important academic dates including deadlines for withdrawing from units are available at https://www.mq.edu.au/study/calendar-of-dates

Learning Outcomes
On successful completion of this unit, you will be able to:

ULO1: Evaluate a wide array of economic frameworks and information to formulate business decisions.
ULO2: Develop a strategy for efficient allocation of scarce resources.
ULO3: Critically reflect on how changes in economic conditions affect individual businesses and industries.
General Assessment Information

Late Assessment Submission Penalty (written assessments)

Unless a Special Consideration request has been submitted and approved, a 5% penalty (of the total possible mark) will be applied each day a written assessment is not submitted, up until the 7th day (including weekends). After the 7th day, a grade of '0' will be awarded even if the assessment is submitted. Submission time for all written assessments is set at 11.55pm. A 1-hour grace period is provided to students who experience a technical concern.

For any late submissions of time-sensitive tasks, such as scheduled tests/exams, performance assessments/presentations, and/or scheduled practical assessments/labs, students need to submit an application for Special Consideration.

Assessment Tasks

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<td>30%</td>
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<td>Class participation</td>
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Essay

Assessment Type: Essay

Indicative Time on Task: 25 hours

Due: **Week 5, Feb. 11 at 11:59pm**

Weighting: **30%**

This 1,500 word essay will combine theory, analysis and current issues. Written communication skills will be emphasised.

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Class participation
Assessment Type 1: Participatory task
Indicative Time on Task 2: 15 hours
Due: Every week
Weighting: 20%

Students are presented with quiz problems to solve. Answers and solutions are discussed in class time.

On successful completion you will be able to:
• Evaluate a wide array of economic frameworks and information to formulate business decisions.
• Develop a strategy for efficient allocation of scarce resources.

Applied managerial economics task
Assessment Type 1: Project
Indicative Time on Task 2: 35 hours
Due: Week 10, March 17 at 11:59pm
Weighting: 50%

This 2,000 word written submission will bring together the concepts and ideas that the unit analyses.

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• Develop a strategy for efficient allocation of scarce resources.
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1 If you need help with your assignment, please contact:
• the academic teaching staff in your unit for guidance in understanding or completing this type of assessment
• the Writing Centre for academic skills support.

2 Indicative time-on-task is an estimate of the time required for completion of the assessment task and is subject to individual variation

Delivery and Resources
See Ilearn for details.

Unit Schedule
See the university timetable for details.

Policies and Procedures
Macquarie University policies and procedures are accessible from Policy Central (https://policies.mq.edu.au). Students should be aware of the following policies in particular with regard to Learning and Teaching:

• Academic Appeals Policy
• Academic Integrity Policy
• Academic Progression Policy
• Assessment Policy
• Fitness to Practice Procedure
• Assessment Procedure
• Complaints Resolution Procedure for Students and Members of the Public
• Special Consideration Policy

Students seeking more policy resources can visit Student Policies (https://students.mq.edu.au/support/study/policies). It is your one-stop-shop for the key policies you need to know about throughout your undergraduate student journey.

To find other policies relating to Teaching and Learning, visit Policy Central (https://policies.mq.edu.au) and use the search tool.

Student Code of Conduct
Macquarie University students have a responsibility to be familiar with the Student Code of Conduct: https://students.mq.edu.au/admin/other-resources/student-conduct

Results
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**The Writing Centre**

The Writing Centre provides resources to develop your English language proficiency, academic writing, and communication skills.

- **Workshops**
- **Chat with a WriteWISE peer writing leader**
- **Access StudyWISE**
- **Upload an assignment to Studiosity**
- **Complete the Academic Integrity Module**

The Library provides online and face to face support to help you find and use relevant information resources.

- **Subject and Research Guides**
- **Ask a Librarian**

### Student Services and Support

Macquarie University offers a range of Student Support Services including:

- **IT Support**
- **Accessibility and disability support with study**
- **Mental health support**
- **Safety support** to respond to bullying, harassment, sexual harassment and sexual assault
- **Social support including information about finances, tenancy and legal issues**
- **Student Advocacy** provides independent advice on MQ policies, procedures, and processes

### Student Enquiries

Got a question? Ask us via [AskMQ](https://students.mq.edu.au/support/), or contact Service Connect.
**IT Help**

For help with University computer systems and technology, visit [http://www.mq.edu.au/about_us/offices_and_units/information_technology/help/](http://www.mq.edu.au/about_us/offices_and_units/information_technology/help/).

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**Changes since First Published**

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