Sports Economics  
Econ 3700-001 Summer 2015

Meeting Time and Location: T&H 9:00am - 12:00pm in OSH202

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Course Description and Objectives: This is an economics class, not a sport class. Students are expected to understand basic microeconomic theories and be able to apply them to sport industry. Professional team sports, mainly in the US, will be discussed as case studies for each topic covered. Example of topics planned to cover in this course are ticket pricings, economic impact of Soccer World Cup, measuring performance, conflict between team owners and players, discrimination in sport league, etc. Students should be able to explain sport decisions by using economic thinkings at the end of this course.

Prerequisites: ECON2010.

Credits: 3 semester credit hours

Textbook: There is no required textbook for this class. Reading will be provided on Canvas.

Assignments and Exams:
- Individual Paper: 20%
- Presentation: 20%
- Class discussion: 20%
- Final Exam (6/23 @ 9am - 12pm): 40%

Grading:
- A: >90
- A-: 86-90
- B+: 81-85
- B: 76-80
- B-: 71-75
- C+: 66-70
- C: 61-65
- C-: 56-60
- D+: 51-55
- E: <50

And/or by curving (I will decide which one will be the best for majority).
Policy: No make-up exam will be given, regardless of reason, except when required under University regulations. I will only give a makeup exam if:

1. You are very ill and have to be under a physicians care for this condition. Supply of a note from your physician has to be provided.

2. An immediate family member is very ill or has an emergency situation and you have a good reason why this prevents you from attending the exam. I will be the judge of whether your reason is good enough.

Class Schedule:

5/19 Introduction


5/21 Demand, Supply and Perfect Competitive Market


5/26 Monopoly/Oligopoly


5/28 Monopsony/Oligopsony


6/2 Competitive Balance


• Berri, D. J., Schmidt, M. B., and Brook, S. L. (2007). “The NBA’s Compet-

6/4 Statistics and Sport


6/9 Game Theory


6/11 Discrimination


6/16 Public Finance


6/18 Other Topics

6/23 Final Exam

• Cumulative, closed-book exam.