

Winter 2024 TA Job Posting for ECON 445

Please give a brief description of the course content or a link to the course outline:

ECON 445 LEC 0.50

Course ID: 009948

Industrial Organization and Public Policy

This course analyzes the structure of markets and how firms compete in them. The emphasis is on oligopoly markets and the use of game theory. The course focuses on differentiated goods, price discrimination, barriers to entry, vertical relationships, advertising, strategic behaviour, and empirical industrial organization including the estimation of demand and costs. Applications to competition policy emphasizing the evaluation of horizontal mergers are presented as well.

Any necessary knowledge or skills needed:

Comfortable with concepts taught in MA microeconomics. Having taken an applied microeconomics course with some theory would be helpful.

Please fill out this chart as closely as you can for the TA duties and hours you predict the course will be using for the entire Winter 2024 term. This will be used as an estimation only. Graduate TAs are not permitted to work more than 140 hours for the term or more than 10 hours in any given week (70 hours or 5 hours a week for a ½ TA). When thinking of the duties you might have for your TA, we ask that you be mindful of this constraint and try not to come up against it. TAs own coursework comes first. Negotiations for a reasonable amount of time for returning marked assignments, etc. will occur as needed.

| Duty | Estimated Hours for the Term or N/A | Brief description of unusual or especially time-consuming features of the duty, if any |
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| Meetings with Course Instructor | Around 6 hours to discuss solutions for midterms | |
| Class preparation | | |
| Attending lectures | | |
| Student consultation; office hours | | |
| Lecturing | | |
| Conducting tutorials | | |
| Grading | Probably 60 hours | Helping grade two midterms. |
| Proctoring exams | 4 hours | |
| Other duties (describe/explain) | | |
| Totals | 70 hours | |