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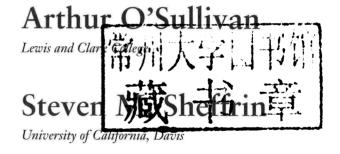
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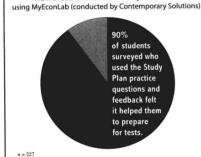
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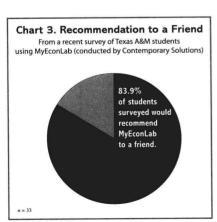
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### Preface

#### ► ONE-SEMESTER BOOK

This book is a one-semester version of our full-length introductory text, *Economics: Principles, Applications, and Tooks*, now in its sixth edition. This text has been a success in classrooms around the country, but many colleges and universities teach a one-semester economics course that covers both microeconomics and macroeconomics. This book preserves the key features of *Economics: Principles, Applications, and Tools*, including its organization around the five key principles of economics to explain the most important concepts of economics, and the extensive use of practical applications to reinforce the learning process.

In designing a one-semester book, we knew that we had to focus on the essential concepts of economics. We start with the five key principles of economics and move quickly into the heart of microeconomics: demand and supply. We then turn to production and cost, competition and market structure, market failure from imperfect information and externalities, and the labor market. Macroeconomics begins with chapters that introduce national income, unemployment, and inflation. We then explore the issues of economic growth and economic fluctuations. We cover monetary and fiscal policy, in both the short run and long run. The book concludes with international trade and finance. We've strived to make all explanations of key ideas and key concepts as simple as possible. In a one-semester book, the student will be introduced to a wide range of ideas. It is important that these ideas be as straightforward and transparent as possible.



#### APPLICATION (3)

#### ELECTRICITY FROM THE WIND

#### APPLYING THE CONCEPT #3: How does the adoption of new technology affect prices?

In recent years, the supply of electricity generated from wind power has increased dramatically. Between 2000 and 2006, fotal wind power in the United States increased from 620 megawatts to 9,200 megawatts, enough power to serve the equivalent of 2.4 fmillion households. Over the same period, the price of electricity generated from wind power decreased from 50 cents per kilowatt-hour to

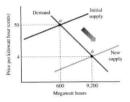
4 cents.

Figure 3.16 shows the changes in the wind electricity market in recent years. Several design innovations, including the replacement of small, rapid rotors with large, slow-moving blades and the development of monitoring systems that change the direction and the angle of the blades to more efficiently harness the wind, have decreased the cost of producing electricity, shifting the supply curve downward and to the right. In Figure 3.16, the shift of the supply curve decreases the equilibrium price

the right. In Figure 3.16, the shift of the supply curve decreases the equilibrium price and increases the equilibrium quantity.

The innovations in wind generation have made wind power more competitive with conventional power sources such as coal and natural gas. The price of electricity from natural gas and coal is about 2 cents per kilowatt-hour. The producers of wind electricity receive a federal tax credit of almost 2 cents per kilowatt-hour, making the net price of wind power close to the price of conventional power. Related to Exercises 7.3 and 7.8.

ects Across the U.S.," Christian Science Alonitor, January 19, 2006, p. 1.



#### ▲ FIGURE 3.16 Wind Power and Electricity

page 71.)

Arrow up or down: The development of a sun-tolerant variety of the vanilla plant the supply of vanila and tis price. (Related to Application 4 on page 72.)

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  Arrow up or down: The drought in Apartalia price. (Related to Application 5 on page 73.)

  Katrina Victims Move Back, Suppose that five years after Hurricane Katrina, half the people who had relocated to Baton Rouge move back to a rebuilt New Orleans. Use a demand and supply graph of the Baton Rouge housing market to show the market effects of the return of people to New Orleans. Use and the Common Conference of the return of Copple to New Orleans. (Related to Application of no page 69.)
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  Hospithese and Ice Cream, Suppose the decline of be colonies increases the prices of some ingredients used to produce ice cream. Consider two thousands of ice cream, strawherry and vanilla. The cost of producing strawherry ice cream increases by 20 percent, while the cost of producing vanilla sice cream increases by only 5 percent. Use a supply-demand graph to show the implications for the equilibrium

prices and quantities of the two flavors of ice cream. (Related to Application 2 on page 70.)

(Related to Application 2 on page 70.) Electricity from Fuel Cells. Suppose that initially the cost of the capital required to generate electricity from fuel cells is \$4,500 per kilowatt capacity, com-pared to \$800 per kilowatt capacity for a disest gener-ator. The goal of the U.S. Department of Energy (DCE) is to cut the cost of fuel-cell generators to \$400 per kilowatt capacity. Consider the market for electricity from fuel cells. Use a demand and supply graph to show the effects of meeting the DOE goal on the price and quantity of electricity from fuel cells. on the price and quantity of electricity (Related to Application 3 on page 71.)

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Artificial versus Natural Vanilla. An artificial alternative to natural vanilla is cheaper to produce but doesn't taste a spood. Suppose the makers of artificial vanilla discover a new recipe that improves its taste. Use a demand and supply graph to show the effects on the equilibrium price and quantity of natural vanilla. (Related to Application 4 on page 72).

7.10 Drought and Rice Prices. Consider the market for following statement: "The drought was a major factor in a near doubling of rice prices." (Related to Application 5 on page 73.)

#### ECONOMIC EXPERIMENT

#### Market Equilibrium

This simple experiment takes about 20 minutes. We start by dividing the class into two equal groups: consumers and producers.

- · The instructor provides each consumer with a number The instructor provides each consumer with a number indicating the maximum amount no or she is willing to pay (WTP) for a bushel of apples: The WTP is a number between \$1 and \$100. Each consumer has the opportunity to buy one bushel of apples per trading period. The consumer's sore for a singlet trading period equals the gap between the WTP and the price actually paid for apples. For example, if the consumer's WTP is \$80 and he or she pays only \$30 for apples, the consumer's score is \$50. Each consumer has the option of not buying apples. This will be sensible if the best price the consumer can get exceeds the WTP. If the consumer does not buy apples, his or her score will be zero.

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  The instructor provides each producer with a number indicating the cost of producing a bushel of apples (a number between S1 and S100). Each producer has the opportunity to sell one bushel per trading period. The producer's score for a single trading period equals the gap between the selling prices and the cost of producing

apples. So if a producer sells apples for \$20, and the cost is only \$15, the producer's score is \$5. Producers have the option of not selling apples, which is sensible if the best price the producer can get is less than the cost. If the producer does not sell apples, his or her score is zero.

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Once everyone understands the rules, consumers and producers meet in a trading area to arrange transactions. A consumer may announce how much he or she is willing to pay for applies and wait for a producer to agree to sell applies at that price. Alternatively, a producer may announce how much he or she is willing accept for applies and wait for a consumer to agree to buy apples at that price. Once a transaction has been arranged, the consumer and producer inform the instructor of the trade, record the transaction, and leave the trading area. Several trading periods, are conducted, each of which lasts a few minutes. After the end of each trading period, the instructor lists the prices at which apples sold during the period. Then another trading period starts, providing consumers and producers another opportunity to buy or sell apples. After all the trading periods have been completed, each participant computes his or her score by adding the scores from the trading periods.

#### ► APPLYING THE CONCEPTS

This is an applications-driven textbook. We carefully selected over 120 real-world Applications that help students develop and master essential economic concepts. We start each chapter with three to five thought-provoking questions that convey important economic concepts. Once we present the economic logic behind a concept, we illustrate its use with a real-world Application. For each Application, we provide exercises that test students' understanding of the concepts and give them opportunities to do their own economic analysis. Here is an example of our approach from Chapter 4, "Demand, Supply, and Market Equilibrium."

#### SUMMARY



In this chapter, we've seen how demand and supply determine prices. We also learned how to predict the effects of changes in demand or supply on prices and quantities. Here are the main points of

- 2 A market supply curve shows the relationship between the
- Equilibrium in a market is shown by the intersection of demand curve and the supply curve. When a market re equilibrium, there is no pressure to change the price.
- 4 A change in demand changes price and quantity in the same clirection. An increase in demand increases the equilibrium price and quantity; a decrease in demand dec equilibrium price and quantity.
- 5 A change in supply changes price and quantity in opposite directions: An increase in supply decreases price and increases quantity; a decrease in supply increases price and

#### KEY TERMS

change in demand, p. 61 change in quantity demanded, p. 53 change in quantity supplied, p. 56 change in supply, p. 65

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individual demand curve, p. 53 individual supply curve, p. 55 inferior good, p. 61 law of demand, p. 53 law of supply, p. 56 market demand curve, p. 54 market equilibrium, p. 58 market supply curve, p. 57

minimum supply price, p. 56 normal good, p. 61 perfectly competitive market, p. 52 quantity demanded, p. 52 quantity supplied, p. 55 substitutes, p. 61 supply schedule, p. 55

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#### ► WHY FIVE KEY PRINCIPLES?

In Chapter 2, "The Key Principles of Economics," we introduce the following five key principles and then apply them throughout the book:

- 1. **The Principle of Opportunity Cost.** The opportunity cost of something is what you sacrifice to get it.
- 2. The Marginal Principle. Increase the level of an activity as long as its marginal benefit exceeds its marginal cost. Choose the level at which the marginal benefit equals the marginal cost.
- 3. The Principle of Diminishing Returns. If we increase one input while holding the other inputs fixed, output will increase, but at a decreasing rate.
- The Principle of Voluntary Exchange. A voluntary exchange between two people makes both people better off.
- The Real-Nominal Principle. What matters to people is the real value of money or income—its purchasing power—not the face value of money or income.

This approach of repeating five key principles gives students the big picture—the framework of economic reasoning. We make the key concepts unforgettable by using them repeatedly, illustrating them with intriguing examples, and giving students many opportunities to practice what they've learned. Throughout the text, economic concepts are connected to the five key principles when the following callout is provided for each principle:



#### MARGINAL PRINCIPLE

Increase the level of an activity as long as its marginal benefit exceeds its marginal cost. Choose the level at which the marginal benefit equals the marginal cost.

# ► HOW IS THE MARKET EQUILIBRIUM CHAPTER ORGANIZED?

Students need to have a solid understanding of demand and supply to be successful in the course. Many students have difficulty understanding movement along a curve versus shifts of a curve. To address this difficulty, we developed an innovative way to organize topics in Chapter 3, "Demand, Supply, and Market Equilibrium." We examine the law of demand and changes in quantity demanded, the law of supply and changes in quantity supplied, and then the notion of market equilibrium. After students have a firm grasp of equilibrium concepts, we explore the effects of changes in demand and supply on equilibrium prices and quantities.

#### ►WHAT'S NEW TO THIS EDITION?

Based on our teaching experiences and extensive feedback from economics instructors, we have revised selected key term definitions, added new graphs, updated existing graphs, and presented new examples and Applications. We have updated all the discussions of current economic policy to include the recent financial crisis, the current recession, and the policy responses to the crisis. We have also updated examples, graphs, and tables with the latest data available.

Overall, there are 28 new Applications on topics such as elasticity and gasoline prices (Chapter 4), the average costs of a music video (Chapter 5), pharmaceutical companies and their response to generic drugs (Chapter 8), location and car insurance rates (Chapter 9), cultural factors and the Industrial Revolution (Chapter 13), factors that cause recessions in the United States (Chapter 14), and how to cope with the financial chaos of the mortgage crisis (Chapter 16).

We have also revised several Applications: How the U.S. Has Coped with Oil Price Fluctuations (Chapter 14), Were the 2001 Tax Cuts Spent or Saved (Chapter 15), New Ways to Borrow From the Fed (Chapter 17), and The Effectiveness of Committees (Chapter 17).

#### **►** MYECONLAB



Both the text and supplement package provide ways for instructors and students to assess their

knowledge and progress through the course. MyEconLab, the new standard in personalized online learning, is a key part of O'Sullivan, Sheffrin, and Perez's integrated learning package for the sixth edition.

#### For the Instructor

MyEconLab is an online course management, testing, and tutorial resource. Instructors can choose how much or how little time to spend setting up and using MyEconLab. Each chapter contains two Sample Tests, Study Plan Exercises, and Tutorial Resources. Student use of these materials requires no initial set-up by the instructor. The online Gradebook records each student's performance and time spent on the Tests and Study Plan and generates reports by student or by chapter. Instructors can assign tests, quizzes, and homework in MyEconLab using four resources:

- Preloaded Sample Test questions
- Problems similar to the end-of-chapter problems
- Test Item File questions
- Self-authored questions using the Econ Exercise Builder

Exercises use multiple-choice, graph drawing, and freeresponse items, many of which are generated algorithmically so that each time a student works them, a different variation is presented. MyEconLab grades every problem, even those with graphs. When working homework exercises, students receive immediate feedback with links to additional learning tools.

Customization and Communication MyEconLab in  $CourseCompass^{TM}$  provides additional optional customization and communication tools. Instructors who

teach distance learning courses or very large lecture sections find the CourseCompass format useful because they can upload course documents and assignments, customize the order of chapters, and use communication features such as Digital Drop Box and Discussion Board.

#### For the Student

MyEconLab puts students in control of their learning through a collection of tests, practice, and study tools tied to the online, interactive version of the textbook, and other media resources. Within MyEconLab's structured environment, students practice what they learn, test their understanding, and pursue a personalized Study Plan generated from their performance on Sample Tests and tests set by their instructors. At the core of MyEconLab are the following features:

- · Sample Tests, two per chapter
- Personal Study Plan
- Tutorial Instruction
- · Graphing Tool

Sample Tests Two Sample Tests for each chapter are preloaded in MyEconLab, enabling students to practice what they have learned, test their understanding, and identify areas in which they need further work. Students can study on their own, or they can complete assignments created by their instructor.

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- 1. **Economics in the News**—This feature provides weekly updates during the school year of news items with links to sources for further reading and discussion questions. Instructors can assign these articles with related, auto-graded questions to assess students' understanding of what they've read.
- eText—While students are working in the Study Plan or completing homework assignments, part of the

- tutorial resources available is a direct link to the relevant page of the text so that students can review the appropriate material to help them complete the exercise.
- Glossary—This searchable version of the textbook glossary provides additional examples and links to related terms.
- 4. **Glossary Flashcards**—Every key term is available as a flashcard, allowing students to quiz themselves on vocabulary from one or more chapters at a time.
- 5. **Ask the Author**—Students can e-mail economics-related questions to the author.
- 6. Research Navigator (CourseCompass™ version only)—This feature offers extensive help on the research process and provides four exclusive databases of credible and reliable source material, including the New York Times, the Financial Times, and peerreviewed journals.

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# ►WHAT INSTRUCTOR'S SUPPLEMENTS DID WE DEVELOP?

A fully integrated teaching and learning package is necessary for today's classroom. Our supplement package helps you provide new and interesting real-world Applications and assess student understanding of economics. The supplements are coordinated with the main text through the numbering system of the headings in each section. The major sections of the chapters are numbered (1.1, 1.2, 1.3, and so on), and that numbering system is used consistently in the supplements to make it convenient and flexible for instructors to develop assignments.

#### Test Item File

Survey of Economics, Fourth Edition, is supported by a test item file created by Randy Methenitis of Richland College, Robert L. Shoffner III of Central Piedmont Community College, Brian Rosario of the University of California at Davis, and Kate Krause of the University of New Mexico.

The bank offers multiple-choice, true/false, and short-answer questions. The questions are referenced by topic and are presented in sequential order. Each question is keyed by degree of difficulty as easy, moderate, or difficult. Easy questions involve straightforward recall of information in the text. Moderate questions require some analysis on the student's part. Difficult questions usually entail more complex analysis and may require the student to go one step further than the material presented in the text. Questions are also classified as

fact, definition, conceptual, and analytical. Fact questions test the student's knowledge of factual information presented in the text. Definition questions ask the student to define an economic concept. Conceptual questions test the student's understanding of a concept. Analytical questions require the student to apply an analytical procedure to answer the question.

The test banks include tables and a series of questions asking students to solve for numeric values, such as profit or equilibrium output. There are also numerous questions based on graphs: Several questions ask students to interpret data presented in a graph, draw a graph on their own, and answer related questions.

In each chapter, there are several questions that support the Applications in the main book. Each test bank chapter also includes a *new* Application based on a newspaper, journal, or online news story. There are also new questions to support the updated and new content in the main book.

The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) The authors of the test item files have connected select questions to the general knowledge and skill guidelines found in the AACSB assurance of learning standards.

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- Communication
- Ethical Reasoning
- Analytic Skills
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- Reflective Thinking

Questions that test skills relevant to these guidelines are appropriately tagged. For example, a question testing the moral questions associated with externalities would receive the Ethical Reasoning tag.

How Can Instructors Use the AACSB Tags? Tagged questions help you measure whether students are grasping the course content that aligns with the AACSB guidelines

noted. In addition, the tagged questions may help instructors identify potential applications of these skills. This in turn may suggest enrichment activities or other educational experiences to help students achieve these skills.

#### TestGen

Survey of Economics Test Item File appears in print and as computer files that may be used with TestGen test-generating software. This test-generating program permits instructors to edit, add, or delete questions from the test bank; analyze test results; and organize a database of tests and student results. This software allows for flexibility and ease of use. It provides many options for organizing and displaying tests, along with a search and sort feature.

#### Instructor's Manual

The instructor's manual, revised by Daniel Condon of Dominican University, follows the textbook's organization, incorporating extra Applications questions. The manuals also provide detailed outlines (suitable for use as lecture notes) and solutions to all questions in the textbook. The instructor's manual is also designed to help the instructor incorporate applicable elements of the supplement package. The instructor's manual contains the following for each chapter:

- Summary: a bullet list of key topics in the chapter
- Approaching the Material: student-friendly examples to introduce the chapter
- Chapter Outline: summary of definitions and concepts
  - Teaching Tips on how to encourage class participation
  - Summary and discussion points for the Applications in the main text
  - New Applications and discussion questions
- Solutions to all end-of-chapter exercises

The instructor's manual is also available for download from the Instructor's Resource Center.

#### PowerPoint® Lecture Presentation

Three sets of PowerPoint<sup>®</sup> slides, prepared by Fernando Quijano, Yvonn Quijano, and Xiao Xuan Xu, are available for instructors to use.

- 1. A comprehensive set of PowerPoint® slides that can be used by instructors for class presentations or by students for lecture preview or review. The presentation includes all the graphs, tables, and equations in the textbook. Two versions are available—the first is in step-by-step mode so that you can build graphs as you would on a blackboard, and in an automated mode, using a single click per slide.
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