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Check out EEP 142!

Spring Semester

Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2 to 3:30pm

150 GSPP

This course is a thorough primer on Industrial organization (IO) - the way firms interact and compete with each other. We cover some of the firms' strategies: price competition, product differentiation, price discrimination, predatory pricing, vertical integration. In addition we study the role of public policy in the markets: (1) regulatory laws and (2) antitrust/competition policy.

There are problem sets, an optional midterm, a final, and one major requirement for this class is a written report/project on one of the class topics.

"(...) I had a lot of fun in your class. I liked looking at econ with an I.O. perspective. It reminded me of why I like econ and EEP. I'll always look at firms and think about their strategies (...) I had fun with the research project if you couldn't tell. (...)"

"(...)I really enjoyed the class and learned a lot from you examples in lectures. I truly believe it will help in the future(...)"

"(...) Thanks for an enjoyable semester. I found the class very interesting, especially since it incorporated so many different economic concepts into the common theme of industrial organization. Thanks again, and maybe we'll meet again in the future when I'm a graduate student. Kind Regards, (...)"

Some of the many empirical studies covered:

- Predation and acquisition of rivals in tobacco industry;
- Restaurants hygiene grade cards' role in provision of quality.
- Environment regulation and market power in gasoline markets

Pre-requisites: EEP100 or Economics 100A or 101A.

Good complement with EEP 118 (Fall course), and for senior thesis students.