Module Code	20349016	Course Term
Course Subject Name	Elementary Economics	Spring
Course Tutor	H.Nomura	The 4th Semester
Credit	2	Taught Day
Schools	School of Agriculture	$M \cap M$
Taught Year	The 2nd year	
Campus	Ito campus	
Subject Area	Lecture	
Course Subject Classification	Common Basic Subjects	Monday, 2nd priod(10:30-12:00)
Course Requirements		
Course Requirement	Introduction to Economics	

### **Course Outline**

In this course, it is designed for the students to acquire the basic understanding of microeconomics with the specific reference to agriculture. This course is intended for the students who understand general theories of microeconomics.

## key words

#### Study Objectives (General)

# **Study Objectives (Specific)** The course aims to achieve the following:

- a) Increase the basic knowledge of economics
- b) Gain the conceptual understanding of how market works/does not work

#### Course Plan

Please note that the course plan can be tentative and could be adjusted according to the reactions of the

Weekly Schedule:

- 1. An Introduction to Microeconomics (Chap. 1) (5/11)
- 2. Supply and Demand (Chap. 2) (5/18)
- 3. Supply and Demand -Elasticity and its Excercize- (Chap. 2) (5/25)
- 4. The Theory of Consumer Choice -Indifference Curves and Budget Line (Chap. 3) (6/1)
- 5. Utility Maximumization Approach to the Consumer Choice (3.6&3.7) (6/8)
- 6. Individual and Market Demand (Chap. 4) (6/15)
- 7. Using Consumer Choice Theory (Chap.5) (6/22)
- 8. Mid-term exam (6/29)
- 9. Production (Chap. 7) (7/6)
- 10. The Cost of Production (Chap. 8) (7/13)
- 11. Profit Maximization in Perfectly Competitive Market (Chap. 9) (7/20)
- 12. Employment and Pricing of Inputs (Chap. 16) (7/27)
- 13. Wages, Rent, Interest, and Profit (Chap. 17) (8/3)
- 14. Final Exam (8/10)

Course Approaches	Lecture	
Textbooks	Browning and Zupan (2012) Microeconomics. Eleventh Ed John Wiley & Sons, Inc. Colman and Young (1989) Principles of Agricultural Economics, Markets and Prices in Less Developed Countries	
Reference Books		
Study consultation (office hour)	Office: West 5 Agr. Bld. , Rm 458, Ito campus Office Hours: after class or with prior appointment Email: hnomura@agr.kyushu-u.ac.jp Phone: (092) 802-4762	
Exams/Results Evaluation Method	Quiz 40% Mid-term Exam 40% Final Exam 40%	
Others	http://www.agr.kyushu-u.ac.jp/english/	