

## **Labor Economics – Econ 3100-070**

Syllabus, Fall 2011

Credits-3

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**Lecture Hours:** Tuesday, 6:00-8:30 PM, Sandy 119

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**Course Description:** The objective of the course is to convey an understanding of the roles and functions of the labor market. We will primarily look at the mainstream labor market model.

**Teaching Methods:** Regular Lectures and Discussions.

**Text:** The Economics of Labor Markets, Kaufman and Hotchkiss, 7<sup>th</sup> edition.

**Topics Covered\*:** The Labor Market, Labor Force Participation, The Demand for Labor in the Short Run, The Demand for Labor in the Long Run, The Determination of Wages, The Theory of Human Capital, Discrimination in the Labor Market, Union Membership and Collective Bargaining, The Economic Impact of Unions, Unemployment.

**Grading and Exam Dates:**

Assignments (2)	30%
Midterm examination (October 18 <sup>th</sup> , 2011, 6-8 pm)	35%
Final examination (December 13 <sup>th</sup> , 2011, 6-8 pm)	35%

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\* Details of the syllabus will be distributed on 8/23/2011 in class.