

Selected Readings in Microeconomics

Spring 2018

1 Course Info

- Time: Friday 8:55-11:45 (Week 1-16)
- Location: No. 4 Building, Room 205
- Course Page: http://zhentonglu.com/Readings_Micro_Spring2018
- Instructors: Nianqing Liu and Zhentong Lu

2 Course Description

This course provides a graduate-level, in-depth introduction to two major topics in applied microeconomics: empirical auction (by Nianqing Liu) and demand estimation (by Zhentong Lu). It is designed to expose students to the basic economic and econometric theories, the latest advancements in the literature, as well as hands-on experience for empirical work (including data/software, etc). Students are expected to be able to follow the recent literature and develop original research ideas in the fields. Rigorous training in advanced microeconomics/econometrics and basic programming skills in Matlab/Stata (or other languages/software) are required.

3 Course Schedule (subject to change)

- Week 1-3: Demand Estimation for Differentiated Products (by Zhentong Lu)
- Week 4-6: Structural Estimation of First-Price Auctions (by Nianqing Liu)
- Week 7-12: Recent Advances in the Literature (Schedule TBD)
- Week 13-16: Student Presentations

4 Course Requirements

Requirement	% of Grade
1. Research Proposal	50%
2. Presentation(s)	35%
3. Class Participation	15%