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ECNS 251

Homework 0

Introduction

• Please tell me a little bit about yourself.

• What is your current or most recent job?

I have been working at Ressler Toyota for the past few months in their service center as a lot attendant, moving cars from the customer drop off to the requested service worker.

• What are your career goals?

My career goals are to be a self sufficient entity, not relying on an employer. Owning my own business would be one possibility however the end goal would be to have enough passive income to not require a career.

• Why are you attending MSU? What would you like to gain from your time and effort here?

MSU is in an environment similar to my home in Colorado, outdoor oriented and a good mix of urban and rural lifestyles. I would hope to gain a degree in financial engineering as well as some friends to help me reach my career goals.

• Why are you taking this class? What would you like to gain from your time and effort here?

I’m taking this class in an effort to gain an insight into how the world works, and money seems to me to be the most honest indicator of how people work. I would like to learn how to look through the lens of an economist, to gain a better understanding of why people make the decisions they make.

• What is your math background? What is the highest level of math that you've taken?

I have taken math for the majority of my educational years and the highest class I’ve been through is differential equations.

• What is the most recent book that you read and what did you like (or not like) about it?

The last book I’ve read was called the go-giver, and I liked the perspective of generosity in the business arena.

• What do you think this class will be about (besides just "economics")?

The reasoning behind the outcomes of tradeoffs. What factors are important and unimportant in various situations.

• What do you think are the most important things that *you* need to do to be successful in this course?

Discipline outside of class is my biggest hurdle, in terms of time management. If I can have the discipline to make time for homework and studying then I believe I will be successful.

• What do you think are the most important things that *Dr. Stock* needs to do to help students be successful in this course?

The best experiences I’ve had with teachers/professors are when a more substantial relationship was made, rather than just showing up to hear them talk then going home.

• Is there anything else that you want Dr. Stock to know about you?

2. Find a short newspaper, magazine, blog, or similar article that covers an economic issue that you hope we’ll cover in class. Include a link to or copy of the article with your answer.

**X**

**Y1**

**Y2**

1

2500

100

2

1750

200

3

1000

300

4

250

400

5

0

500

• Graphing Practice

• Use Excel to draw a graph that depicts the relationship between X and Y1.

• Use Excel to draw a graph that depicts the relationship between X and Y2.

• Use Excel to draw a graph that depicts the relationship between X and Y1 and X and Y2 simultaneously.

• Syllabus “Quiz”

• Who are the teaching assistants for this class? How can they help you? When and where are their office hours?

• What types of assignments will we be doing this semester?

• What happens if you miss a homework?

• What happens if you miss a quiz?

• What happens if you aren’t prepared for our weekly discussions?

• What topic that we’re covering are you most interested in?

• What topic that we’re covering are you least interested in?

• What topic do you wish we could cover that is not included in the syllabus?