Technically, none. But you must be competent in basic algebra and graphing skills in order to pass this class.

Course Overview:
This course is intended to give an introductory look at microeconomic topics. It will provide you with the tools necessary to be able to converse intelligently on economic events, think critically about public policies, derive and solve basic economic models, and continue your economic studies at intermediate and advanced levels.

EconPortal:
EconPortal is a web-based study tool that provides access to the electronic version of the textbook, displays and organizes assignments, administers online quizzes/homework assignments, gives student-specific feedback, and provides various other study materials so you can master each topic we cover in class. See the attached instructions for purchasing EconPortal and registering for this class. Be sure to use the instructor, textbook, and course information above when registering.

Course Components:
Homework/Quizzes – 15%
Each week you will complete one or more graded assignments. These will be posted on EconPortal every Friday and are open book, open note, and may be completed with your classmates. Graded assignments will typically be due by 1:59pm the following Thursday. When computing your final homework/quiz grade, I will drop your two lowest scores.

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Grading Summary:

Homework/Quizzes	15%
Recitation	15%
3 Midterms	15%
Final Exam	25%
Participation	15%
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*** I will drop the lowest of your participation grade, 3 midterms, and homework/quizzes grade. I will NOT drop your final or your recitation grade.

Tentative Course Outline:

Unless otherwise specified, we will cover topics in the order below.

Modules:	Topic:
Modules 1-4:	An Introduction to Economics. We'll discuss the differences between microeconomics and macroeconomics, define some key terms, contemplate the circular-flow diagram, introduce the production possibility, opportunity cost, and g