Economics Reading List and Math Pre-course

Math Pre-course

Attached is a pre-course in basic Mathematics that will prepare you for the first year of the Economic content of your course. It is essential that you go over Ch1-7, and that you answer the short exercises at the end of each chapter. Many of the concepts might be familiar to you but some will be new, particularly applications to economics. If the material of a chapter is well known to you, feel free to jump straight to the exercises without reading the whole chapter. However, if you need to remind yourself of some concepts, the chapters provide detailed explanations and solved examples that will be extremely useful.

Any unresolved question you might have about the content of these chapters should be brought up at the beginning of the term.

You should bring your answers to the short exercises of Ch1-7 to fresher’s week and hand them in (with your name on it) at the economics meeting that will be held that week.

Chapters 8-10 will be covered after you arrive in College.

Reading List

Some accessible sources that you might find interesting to read this summer:


We also strongly recommend reading The Economist magazine regularly.

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