

Pepperdine School of Public Policy

Suggested Reading List



Our professors suggest a few readings over the summer that will keep you fresh or help you review so that we are ready to hit the ground running this fall. Here is the list of books as well as links to where you may find them:

For a Math Overview

Salvatore, Dominick, and Derrick Reagle. *Schaum's Outline of Statistics and Econometrics*. New York: McGraw-Hill, 2011.

ISBN: 0071755470

Dowling, Edward T. *Schaum's Outline of Theory and Problems of Introduction to Mathematical Economics*. New York: McGraw Hill, 2001.

ISBN: 007135896X

*Any book that has a crash course on college algebra and pre-calculus could be helpful, but these two are quite simple and approachable.

Math concepts to focus on:

1. Basic rules of algebra
2. Slope and equation of a line
3. Functions
4. Linear equations
5. Exponentials and logarithms
6. The derivative

All of these concepts will also be reviewed during the first few weeks of classes.

Optional Reading for Applied Economic Analysis of Public Policy I (Micro) and II (Macro)

Sowell, Thomas. *Basic Economics: A Common Sense Guide to the Economy*. Basic Books, 2010. ISBN-13: 978-0465022526

A non-technical introduction to the sensible economic way of thinking (that is also enjoyable to read—and cheap!).”

These books can be found on [Amazon](#).

