ECON 110/111 – Study Tips

Exam format:
80 multiple choice questions

- Part A: 40 questions
  - Covers the course material
  - 1 mark for each question

- Part B: 40 multiple choices
  - 5 sets of long questions (8 each); focused on calculations
  - Each question is worth 1 mark
  - From your professor: Questions in part B are similar to assignment questions

How to study for the exam:

Review lecture notes and textbook
- If time is limited, review the concepts you are not familiar with and practice with relevant problems

Practice is Key!

- Make practice questions out of:
  - Assignments, quizzes, homework
  - Past exams
- Be patient with yourself! Do several of the same type of question to learn the patterns. Don’t give up!
- Analyze your mistakes. Where are you confused? Refer back to your readings and lecture notes, then practice again.

Practicing with old exams (ExamBank)
- If possible, do the mock exam during the same time slot as your final
- Time yourself
  - Plan the approximate amount of time needed for each section
- After you’re done, take note of the concepts tested and where you went wrong

Common pitfalls
- Trying to memorize everything
- Not understanding concepts well before doing practice problems
- Avoid cramming unfamiliar material on the last day! Work through content over time.
Resources

Practice Questions
● OnQ: Reading list (with some supplementary material), class handouts, coursework schedule
● OnQ: assignments, quizzes, practice problems, past exams
● ExamBank: search for past exams

For more Help
● Profs, TA, group members
● Study group: discuss content and practice problems together
● https://sass.queensu.ca/exam-prep/