ECON-1210: SURVEY OF ECONOMICS

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Subject Code

ECON - Economics

Course Number:

1210

Title:

Survey of Economics

Catalog Description:

The Survey of Economics provides an introductory overview of economics for non-econ majors. This class is not intended for those students who plan on taking the principles of microeconomics (ECON-2000) and the principles of macroeconomics (ECON-2010).

Credit Hour(s):

3

Lecture Hour(s):

3

Lab Hour(s):

0

Other Hour(s):

0

Requisites

Prerequisite and Corequisite

None.

Outcomes

Course Outcome(s):

Recognize the basic economic tools used in the field of economics at the micro level.

Objective(s):

- 1. Explain the fundamental problems of scarcity, the reason for trade-offs, and the need for efficiency in the use of resources.
- 2. Describe how a market economy's price system operates using demand and supply analysis.
- 3. Discuss the role of government and its impact in a market economy.
- 4. List the costs faced by business firms and its impact on economic profit.
- 5. Identify different types of market structures and its impact on price, output, and efficiency.
- 6. Explore the labor market and the determination of wage.

Course Outcome(s):

Recognize the basic economic tools used in the field of economics at the macro level.

Essential Learning Outcome Mapping:

Critical/Creative Thinking: Analyze, evaluate, and synthesize information in order to consider problems/ideas and transform them in innovative or imaginative ways.

Objective(s):

- 1. Identify the basic macroeconomic measurements of GDP, the inflation rate, and the unemployment rate.
- 2. Recognize the four phases of the business cycle, and explain short-run fluctuations using basic aggregate demand and aggregate supply analysis.
- 3. Identify the sources of long run economic growth.
- 4. List the causes of inflation and examine its impact.
- 5. Discuss the role of the Federal Reserve in the nation's banking system, the money supply, and monetary policy.
- 6. Explain the federal government's role in fiscal policy.
- 7. Describe some of the different schools of thought in the field of economics.

Course Outcome(s):

Develop a basic foundation of economic tools that can be applied to special topics in economics which includes, but is not limited to, the subject of international economics.

Objective(s):

- 1. Explain the reasons for trade and voluntary exchange, especially comparative advantage.
- 2. Describe the impact of an open economy compared to a closed economy.
- 3. Identify the differences between floating exchange rates and fixed exchange rates.
- 4. Identify country differences for employment, inflation, income, poverty, and health.

Methods of Evaluation:

- 1. Case presentations-written and oral
- 2. Objective and/or subjective examinations
- 3. Quizzes
- 4. Homework
- 5. Other written work or evaluations as the instructor determines

Course Content Outline:

A. Introduction to Microeconomics

- 1. Scarcity and Opportunity Cost
- 2. Demand, Supply, and Market Equilibrium
- 3. Public Goods and Externalities
- 4. Business Firms, Costs, and Economic Profit
- 5. Competition and Market Structures; Perfect Competition, Monopoly, Monopolistic Competition, and Oligopoly
- 6. Competitive Labor Market and Wage Determination
- 7. Distribution of Income and Poverty
- B. Introduction to Macroeconomics
- 1. The Circular Flow Model
- 2. Gross Domestic Product
- 3. Business Cycles
- 4. Unemployment
- 5. Inflation
- 6. Aggregate Demand and Aggregate Supply Analysis
- 7. Money, Banking, and the Federal Reserve
- 8. Monetary Policy and Interests Rates
- C. Introduction to International Economics
- 1. Absolute Advantage and Comparative Advantage
- 2. International Trade, Exports, Imports, and Trade Restrictions
- 3. Exchange Rates

Resources

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