

**San Jose State University**  
**Econ 1A-66, Principles of Macroeconomics**  
**Fall, 2019 (50418)**

**Course and Contact Information**

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Office Hours:	Wed. 6 pm. or by Appointment
Class Days/Time:	Wed. 6:30 to 9:15 pm
Classroom:	DMH 208
Prerequisites:	Basic high school algebra and geometry recommended

**Course Format**

Lecture and class discussion with online homework assignments.

**Course Description**

## Required Texts/Readings

### Textbook

~~2e~~ 2e, Greenlaw, Shapiro and Taylor, ICBN-13: 978-1-947172-38-8. Accessible online through OpenStax at no charge: <https://openstax.org/details/books/principles-macroeconomics-2e>. You will also be able to access the text through Sapling Learning once you have created an account through Canvas. I recommend obtaining a hardcopy of the text. It is available through OpenStax, the Spartan Bookstore, or elsewhere for \$35 or less.

### Other technology requirements / equipment / material

You will need internet access for Canvas, where important class information will be posted and where you will access Sapling, the homework component of this course.

You will need a basic calculator for quizzes and exams (no smart phones or other internet connectivity allowed). You will need 3 Scantrons over the course of the semester (2 midterms and 1 final exam). I recommend obtaining an inexpensive file folder to keep your course materials organized.

Canvas: You will need to register for Canvas, which is free for all SJSU students. Instructions for enrolling in Canvas are available through [my.sjsu.edu/](http://my.sjsu.edu/). You will need to be registered for Canvas to obtain access to Sapling Learning, the online learning component of this course.

Sapling: There is a one-time fee of \$42.00 for the Sapling Homework component of this course. However, you may enroll in Sapling and access the assignments for 10 days before the fee is due. The Canvas homepage for this course has a link for Sapling Homework under the Course Documents at the top of the home page.

1. Follow the Sapling Learning link from the Canvas home page for this course.
  - For initial registration, your Sapling Learning homework must be accessed through that link. After logging in once using this link, you can log in to subsequent sessions from Canvas or from the Sapling home page.
2. If you already have a Macmillan Learning account, you can log in with your existing credentials and skip to step 4.
  - Create your password and set all three security questions.
  - Start typing in your institution to select from the options that appears in the Primary Institution or School name field. If your institution does not appear you can add it by typing in the full name.
  - Accept the terms of use and click “Sign Up”.
  - Check your email for the confirmation link to complete your registration and return to the login page.
3. Set your institution by searching using your institution’s full name and selecting the appropriate option from the menu that appears.
4. You’ve been automatically enrolled into the appropriate homework course on Sapling Learning and will be directed to your course page.
5. If applicable, to access your ebook click on the image of the cover on the right sidebar of your course site. Create an account or log in with an existing Macmillan Learning eBook account.
6. **Need Help?** Our technical support team can be reached by phone, chat, or by email via the Student Support Community: <https://macmillan.force.com/macmillanlearning/s/>.

7. The following link includes more detailed instructions on how to register for your course:  
<https://macmillan.force.com/macmillanlearning/s/article/Sapling-Learning-Student-Single-Sign-On>.

### **Examination and Quizzes**

There will be periodic quizzes, two midterms, and a cumulative final exam as set out in the attached schedule. **You will need Scantrons for the two midterms and the final exam**, but not for the quizzes.

### **Grading Information**

All activities will be graded on a curve as follows; 100-97 A+, 96-93 A, 92-90 A-, 89-87 B+, 86-83 B, 82-80 B-, 79-77 C+, 76-73 C, 72-70 C-, 69-67 D+, 66-63 D, 62-60 D-, and less than 60 F. **Missed activities receive a grade of 50.** Normal rounding rules apply. Your final grade will be weighted as follows:

<u>Activity:</u>	<u>Weight</u>
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Quizzes & Class Activities	20%
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Sapling Assignments	20%
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## **University Policies**

**Instances of academic dishonesty will not be tolerated.** Cheating on exams or plagiarism (presenting the work of another as your own, or the use of another person's ideas without giving proper credit) will result in a failing grade and sanctions by the University.

Per University Policy S16-9, university-wide policy information relevant to all courses, such as academic integrity, accommodations, etc. will be available on Office of Graduate and Undergraduate Programs'

# Course Schedule, Econ 1A-66

Fall, 2019, Wed. 6:30pm.

Date	Reading Assign.	Topics, Activities, Due Dates
8/21/2019		First Class Ch. 1 – Welcome to Economics
8/28	Ch. 1	Ch. 1 - Class Activity – Globalization Ch. 2 - Choice in a World of Scarcity
9/4	Ch. 2	Ch. 2 Sapling Due; <b>Quiz #1 (Ch. 1-2)</b> Ch. 3 Demand & Supply; Lecture on Elasticity
9/11	Ch. 3	Ch. 3 Sapling Due; <b>Quiz #2 (Ch. 3 &amp; Elasticity)</b> Ch. 6 The Macroeconomic Perspective - GDP
9/18	Ch. 6	Ch. 6 Sapling Due Ch. 7 Economic Growth
9/25	Ch. 7	Ch. 7 Sapling Due; <b>Quiz #3 (Ch. 6-7)</b> Ch. 8 Unemployment - Lecture
10/2	<b>Midterm</b>	<b>Midterm #1 (Ch. 1-3, Elasticity, &amp; 6-7)</b> Ch. 9 Inflation - Lecture
10/9	Ch. 8 Ch. 9	Ch. 8 Sapling Due Ch. 9 Sapling Due; <b>Quiz #4 (Ch. 8-9)</b>
10/16	Ch. 11	Ch. 11 Aggregate Demand/Aggregate Supply Model Ch. 11 (No Sapling) Problems 59-61; In-class Video
10/23	Ch. 12-13	Ch. 12 Keynesian Economics; (No Sapling) Ch. 12 HW Due (End of Ch 12 Self-Check Questions 1-2) Ch. 13 Neoclassical Economics; (No Sapling) Ch. 13 HW Due (End of Ch 13 Problem #21); <b>Quiz #5 (Ch. 11-13)</b>
10/30	<b>Midterm</b>	<b>Midterm # 2 (Ch. 8-9, 11-13)</b> Ch. 14 Money and Banking
11/6	Ch. 14	