

“Economics deals with society's fundamental problems; it concerns **everyone and belongs to all. It is the main and proper study of every citizen.**” *Ludwig von Mises*

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COURSE DESCRIPTION AND TEACHING PHILOSOPHY

Economics can be defined as *the study of exchange given certain institutional arrangements* or as *the study of human action people making choices*. This course builds upon your knowledge of introductory microeconomics. You will learn how economic models can help us think about important real world phenomena. Topics that will be covered include the supply and demand model and applications of it; elasticity of demand, it; elasticity of supply; and the theory of consumer choice.

I will not focus on the mathematics of the economics*. It is more important to me that you have an intuitive understanding rather than a mathematical understanding. Of course, you will be expected to learn and apply some graphical models that you did not encounter in your principles class. ***The goal by the end of the semester is to get you to analyze personal situations, listen to***

I will assign numerous short readings and video clips on various policy topics. **The goal of these readings and video clips is to make you think critically and to look at issues from a perspective you probably have not considered before this class.**

UNIVERSITY HONOR CODE

Students are expected to be familiar with the SJSU Policy on Academic Dishonesty which can be found in the University Schedule of Classes and the University Catalog. The Department of Economics Academic Fairness Standards states: "An individual instructor who discovers, or is presented with, conclusive evidence of cheating shall assign a course grade of 'F' and inform the Chairman of the Department the reasons for the grade and for further disciplinary action." Plagiarism is defined as the act of representing the work of another as one's own (without giving appropriate credit) regardless of how that work was obtained and submitting it to fulfill academic requirements. Plagiarism at SJSU includes but is not limited to: **1.** The act of incorporating the ideas, words, sentences, paragraphs or parts thereof, or the specific substance of another's work, without giving appropriate credit, and representing the product as one's own work, knowingly or unknowingly or **2.**

GRADING SCALE

A+: 96.5 100

A: 92.5 96.4

A-: 89.5 92.4

B+: 86.5 89.4

B: 82.5 86.4

B-: 79.5 82.4

C+: 76.5 79.4

C: 72.5 76.4

C-: 69.5 72.4

D: 59.5 69.4

F: 59.4 BELOW

The Final exam will be due on Friday, July 1

NO EXCEPTIONS OR CHANGES!