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Instructor: - D P H V 6 W H Y H 2 ¶ % U L H Q

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Office Hours: Email to arrange for virtual meeting

ClassDays/Times: Monday and Wednesday 12pm-1:15pm

Classroom: Dudley Moorhead Hall 166

Prerequisites: Upper division standing.

Note: Not acceptable for Economics majors, except double majors; acceptable for Economics minors. Please contact me with any questions.

Course Description

Economic analysis of topics such as unemployment, inflation, poverty, pollution, education and

Other Readings

I will post or link any additional readings on the Canvas course website.

Canvas: the learning management system will be the central online communication hub for the class. Recorded lectures, power point presentations, grades, additional readings and messages related to class will be posted through the Canvas system. You will access Canvas using your SJSU login and password at <https://sjsu.instructure.com>.

**Please be sure that your email is listed correctly or you risk missing key information communicated throughout the semester.*

Course Requirements and Assignments

You will need access to a computer/laptop/tablet with reliable wireless connection. Most assignments will be completed/submitted through Canvas.

SJSU classes are designed such that in order to be successful, it is expected that students will spend a minimum of forty-five hours for each unit of credit (normally three hours per unit per week), including preparing for class, participating in course activities, completing assignments, and so on. More details about student workload can be found in [University Policy S123](http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/S123.pdf) at <http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/S123.pdf>

NOTE that [University policy F6924](http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/F6924.pdf) at <http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/F6924.pdf> states that

Your final grade will be based on the following categories and weights:

Quizzes	25%
Midterm Exam	25%
Class Presentation	15%
Final Exam	35%

Your final numerical grade will be the weighted average of your scores in the above categories, and your corresponding letter grade will be assigned as follows:

Percent	Grade	Percent	Grade	Percent	Grade
97.5% to 100%	A+	93% to 97.49%	A	90% to 92.9%	A-
87.5% to 89.9%	B+	83% to 87.49%	B	80% to 82.9%	B-
77.5% to 79.9%	C+	73% to 77.49%	C	70% to 72.9%	C-
67.5% to 69.9%	D+	63% to 67.49%	D	60% to 62.9%	D-
0% to 59.9%	F				

Classroom Protocol

Please act respectfully both in class as well as in online forums; zoom meetings, Canvas
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University Policies

General Expectations, Rights and Responsibilities of the Student

As members of the academic community, students accept both rights and responsibilities incumbent upon all members of the institution. Students are encouraged to familiarize

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questions or concerns about a class arises [University Policy S905](#) at

<http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/S905.pdf>. More detailed information on a variety of related topics is available in the [SJSU catalog](#)

http://www.sjsu.edu/provost/services/academic_calendars/LateDropPolicy is available at <http://www.sjsu.edu/aars/policies/latedrops/policies>. Students should be aware of the current deadlines and penalties for dropping classes.

Information about the latest changes and news is available at the [Advising Hub](http://www.sjsu.edu/advising/) at <http://www.sjsu.edu/advising/>

Academic integrity

Your commitment, as a student, to learning is evidenced by your enrollment at San Jose State University. The [University Academic Integrity Policy S07](http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/S07.pdf) at <http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/S07.pdf> requires you to be honest in all your academic course work. Faculty members are required to report all infractions to the office of Student Conduct and Ethical Development. The [Student Conduct and Ethical Development website](http://www.sjsu.edu/studentconduct/) is available at <http://www.sjsu.edu/studentconduct/>.

Campus Policy in Compliance with the American Disabilities Act

If you need course adaptations or accommodations because of a disability, or if you need to make special arrangements in case the building must be evacuated, please make an appointment with me as soon as possible, or see me during office hours. [Presidential Directive 903](http://www.sjsu.edu/president/docs/directives/PD_1097.pdf) at http://www.sjsu.edu/president/docs/directives/PD_1097.pdf requires that students with disabilities requesting accommodations must register with the [Accessible Education Center](http://www.sjsu.edu/aec) (AEC) at <http://www.sjsu.edu/aec> to establish a record of their disability.

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** Schedule is subject to change but only with plenty of notice*

**Chapter Numbers may not be the same in your textbook, depending on edition. Please focus on chapter titles/topics.*

Week	Topics, Readings, Assignments, Deadlines
1 (1/25)	Introduction and Course Overview
2 (1/30)	Cowen/Tabarrok (CT) Ch.-2, Economic Ideas, Trade, Comparative Advantage
2	CT Ch. 3 Supply and Demand
3 (2/6)	CT Ch. 3 Supply and Demand (continued)
3	CT Ch. 4 Equilibrium and Prices
4 (2/13)	CT. Ch.8 Price Ceilings and Floors (parts of Ch. 7 Price Signals)
4	CT Ch.6 Taxes and Subsidies
5 (2/20)	CT Ch. 9 International Trade

Week	Topics, Readings, Assignments, Deadlines
5	CT Ch. 10 Externalities
6 (2/27)	CT Ch. 10 Externalities(Continued)
6	CT Ch. 24 GDP
7 (3/6)	CT Ch. 24 GDP(Continued)
7	CT Ch. 25 Economic Growth
8 (3/13)	CT Ch. 28 Unemployment and Labor Force Participation
8	CT Ch. 28 (Continued)