

San José State University
College of Social Sciences/Department of Economics
ECON 191, Economic Thought of Nobel Prize Winners, Section 01,
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Course and Contact Information

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Class Days/Time:	Tuesday and Thursday, 3:00 4:15pm
Campus Classroom:	DMH 166
Prerequisites:	ECON 101, ECON 102, ECON 100W, and ECON 103A, or instructor consent.

Course Description

Exploration of lectures and essays related to economics Nobel Prize Winners since 1969. Topics include market theory, information theory, game theory, macroeconomic models, and new developments. Students submit weekly questions, three papers, and a presentation on a Nobel Prize winner.

Program Learning Objectives (PLOs)

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Required Texts/Readings

Nobel Prize Lectures and Biographies [class website links]

[HB] Stefanie Haeffele-Balch (ed.), Virgil Henry Storr (ed.), Peter J. Boettke (ed.). *Mainline Economics: Six Nobel Lectures in the Tradition of Adam Smith*. ISBN 9781942951278.

[MC] Deirdre N. McCloskey, *Economical Writing* (2nd edition). ISBN 9781577660637.

Course Requirements and Assignments

Success in this course is based on the expectation that students will spend, for each unit of credit, a minimum of 45 hours over the length of the course (normally three hours per unit per week) for instruction, preparation/studying, or course related activities, including but not limited to internships, labs, and clinical practica. Other course structures will have equivalent workload expectations as described in the syllabus.

Key Semester Dates

First Day of Class January 26

Last Day to Drop Classes February 20

Thought Paper #1 February 24

Thought Paper #2 April 7

Last Day of Class May 11

Presentations Due May 11

Final Paper Due May 19

Class Structure

ECON 191 follows an in-person class format ([Mode P](#)), which means that when the university permits in-person classes, we will meet in-person in DMH 166 on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:00–4:15pm. You should not schedule other appointments during this time.

Prize Lectures

This course involves reading the Nobel Prize lectures of the winners for the Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences along with readings from the HB book and articles. The Nobel Prize website makes the prize lectures available online (<https://www.nobelprize.org/prizes/economic-sciences/>). I have also linked to the specific winners we will cover on the class website (<http://www.darwyndeyo.com/econ-191-nobel-economics.html>). In some cases, the prize lectures are available in video format. Students are not encouraged to watch the videos as a substitute for the written lectures as the quizzes will cover the written lectures. Students should have read the material for each week *before* class on Tuesday.

Class Seminars

Socratic seminars will take place during class each Thursday, during which active student participation will be evaluated and graded. The seminar format has a long traditional in educational institutions and I will provide more resources and guidance on the format

Classroom Protocol

Office Hours

The best way to contact me is by email at darwynn.deyo@sjsu.edu. My office hours are on Zoom, Wednesdays from 3:00 – 5:00pm, or by appointment.

Academic Honesty

The Department of Economics takes academic honesty very seriously and follows the policies posted online at <https://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/S07-2.pdf>

3. Students must use their SJSU email to communicate with me regarding course material and messages related to this class. I will make an effort to reply to course-related emails within two business days, but I will not open email attachments from non-SJSU emails.
4. Students must submit all work through Canvas. All final written work is automatically submitted to Turnitin.
5. Cumulative grades on Canvas do *not* reflect your class grade. You may request a grade check from me

