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**COURSE OVERVIEW**

This is an introductory macroeconomics course aimed at introducing you to the terminology, methodology and theory used by economists. It will provide you with the basic knowledge about the national economy and help you understand fundamental concepts and methods applied. The course will also introduce you to the basic economic concepts and models used in (1) understanding the functions & workings of the market system; (2) explaining and predicting the behavior of national output, unemployment and inflation; and (3) understanding monetary and fiscal policies and their impacts on the economy.

**COURSE OBJECTIVES** - Upon completion of this course, students should be able to:

1. Describe economic concepts, principles, or models.  
2. Identify an economic concept, principle, or model illustrated by an example.  
3. Identify an economic concept, principle, or model using quantitative data or calculations.  
4. Describe the similarities, differences, and limitations of economic concepts, principles, or models.  
5. Using economic concepts, principles, or models, explain how a specific economic outcome occurs or what action should be taken in order to achieve a specific economic outcome.  
6. Using economic concepts, principles, or models, explain how a specific economic outcome occurs when there are multiple contributing variables or what multiple actions should be taken in order to achieve a specific economic outcome.  
7. Interpret a specific economic outcome using quantitative data or calculations.  
8. Determine the outcome of an economic situation using economic concepts, principles, or models.  
9. Determine the effect(s) of one or more changes on other economic markets.  
10. Determine the effect(s) of a change in an economic situation using quantitative data or calculations.  
11. Draw an accurately labeled graph or visual to represent an economic model or market.  
12. Demonstrate your understanding of a specific economic situation on an accurately labeled graph or visual.  
13. Demonstrate the effect of a change in an economic situation on an accurately labeled graph or visual.

**Course Materials**

1. Required Textbook – *Krugman’s Macroeconomics for AP; 2nd Edition* by Margaret Ray and David Anderson (provided by SAISD)  
2. Blue or black pen and pencil  
3. Spiral notebook or binder with paper to take notes (in class and on your own)  
4. Internet access – if you don’t have access at home, you will need to use the library (school, ASU, or public).

**Attendance and Makeup Policy**

Attendance and punctuality are imperative in a college course. All assignments are due on their due date regardless of whether a student is absent from class or present. Due dates for assignments are given well in advance. Students who are absent for a school trip or any other reason the day an assignment is due must turn in the assignment early or have someone give it to the instructor on the day it is due. Assignments may also be turned in by e-mail attachment to wwilson1@angelo.edu or Willard.WilsonII@saisd.org. Late assignments after three days will result in a grade of zero. If a quiz or
test is given the day a student returns to class, the student is expected to take the assessment. Students should try to avoid scheduling doctor appointments, college visits, counseling center appointments, etc. during class time.

**Grading**

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There will be no extra credit. You will need to complete all assignments on time and prepare for the tests.

**Course Calendar**

**Week 1 – August 17-22**

**Online:** Module 1-4 assignments due Monday August 24 (Quiz - 8/25)

Economic Graphs, Comparative and Absolute Advantage, basic concepts

*There will be assessments over the graphs that you will learn this week so learn them. (Dates to be determined)*

**Week 2 – August 23-29**

**Online:** Module 5-9 assignments due Sunday 8/30.

Tuesday 8/25 – Quiz Module 1-4

Economic Graphs, Comparative and Absolute Advantage, basic concepts, Supply and Demand

**Week 3 – August 30-September 5**

**Online:** Module 10-15 assignments due Sunday 9/5. (Quiz on 9/8)

**Test Section 1 and 2 (Module 1-9) – (Date to be determined) The test will be this week, the exact day is yet to be determined.**

Supply and Demand, Macroeconomic measurements

**Week 4 - September 6-12**

**Online:** Module 16-21 assignments due Sunday 9/12 (Quiz 9/13)

Tuesday 9/8 – Quiz Module10-15

Macroeconomic measurements

**Week 5 – September 13-19**

**Class** – Monday 9/14 – Quiz Module 16-21

Aggregate demand and supply, fiscal policy, spending multiplier

**Week 6 – September 20-26**

**Online:** Module 22-29 assignments due Sunday October 6 (Quiz in class on 10/7.)
**Test Section 3-4 (modules 10-21), (Date to be determined)**

Money, banking, and the Federal Reserve

**Week 7 – September 27-October 3**

Monday 10/7 – Quiz Module 22-29

Money banking and the Federal Reserve

**Week 8 – October 4-10**

Online: Module 30-36 assignments due Sunday October 11 (Quiz on 10/13.)

**Test Section 5 (modules 22-27) (Date to be determined)**

Stabilization policies and the Phillips Curve

**Week 9 – October 11-17**

Online: Module 37-40 assignments due Sunday October 18 (Quiz on 10/19.)

Monday 10/13 – quiz Module 30-36

Economic growth and productivity

**Week 10 – October 18-24**

Online: Module 41-45 assignments due Sunday October 25 (Quiz on 10/26)

Monday 10/19 – Quiz Module 37-40

**Test Section 6-7 (module 30-40) (Date to be determined)**

International trade, exchange rates, tariffs, and quotas

**Week 11 – October 19-31**

Monday 10/26 – Quiz Module 41-45

International trade, exchange rates, tariffs, and quotas

**Week 12 – November 1-7**


**Test Section 8 (module 41-45) (date to be determined)**

Personal Finance – Saving, Investing, Financial Planning

**Week 13 – November 8-14**

Personal Finance – Saving, Investing, Financial Planning

**Week 14 – November 15-21**
Personal Finance – Saving, Investing, Financial Planning

Final Exam Review

*Personal Finance Test (date to be determined)*

**Week 15 – November 29-December 4**

Final Exam

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