

**Course:** ECO 155

**Course Title:** Principles of Macroeconomics

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Department:** Economics

**Prerequisite:** None

*May also receive credit for this course through Advanced Placement; CLEP; International Baccalaureate*

**General Education Area:**

HUMAN CULTURES - Social & Behavioral Sciences (*GEC 110*)

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**Typically Offered During:**

Fall Full Semester:	YES	Fall 1 <sup>st</sup> Block:	YES	Fall 2 <sup>nd</sup> Block:	YES
Spring Full Semester:	YES	Spring 1 <sup>st</sup> Block:	NO	Spring 2 <sup>nd</sup> Block:	YES
Summer:	YES				

**Typical Instructional Modality:**

Traditional (seated):	YES	Blended:	YES	Internet:	YES
Online Video:	NO	Web Conference:	NO		

**May Also Count Toward Department Offering:**

Major:	YES	Minor:	YES	Certificate:	YES
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*Please see online published semester class schedule and undergraduate catalog for detailed course offering information.*

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***How do you describe the course to students when they ask “What is this class about?” (Without using the catalog description)?***

This class is meant to give students a firm foundation in economic principles, especially with respect to macroeconomics. Students learn about economic issues that shape their everyday world, including inflation, unemployment, the business cycle, money, interest rates, monetary policy, fiscal policy, and economic growth.

***Beyond meeting a General Education requirement, what benefits can students realize from choosing this course?***

Most of our elections revolve around macroeconomic issues and the health of the macroeconomy. Similarly, many important events in our lives—such as whether you will get a job when you graduate, and whether or not you can afford to buy a house—are strongly tied to the macroeconomy. This class helps students understand both the economic forces and the economic policies that will affect them for the rest of their lives.

***Other than your major/minor/certificate students, what groups of students could find this course relevant to their degree program or career path?***

All business students are required to take ECO 155. Political science students and any other student interested in understanding the world around them should also learn basic macroeconomics.

***Catalog Description (Fall 2022 Undergraduate Catalog)***

This course prepares the student to understand the economic structure of the United States and its place in the world economy, to interpret common economic measures, to understand the processes of governmental fiscal and monetary policies, and to evaluate individual decision-making from an economic perspective.