# Department of Economics, College of Business, The University of Akron ECON 244 Introduction to Economic Analysis Section 501 (course id 10156) Section 502 (course id 15129) Section 770 (course id 10158) Wayne College A 100% Web Based Course Class homepage is at http://brightspace.uakron.edu/

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### **INTRODUCTION**

Welcome to Economic Analysis where you will learn the foundations of economics and how to apply economic principles to everyday problems. We will first focus on microeconomics and second on macroeconomics. This course has been continuously offered online since 2003, it is designed to allow you to master the subject, and is not a quick response to the recent COVID-19 pandemic.

This is a 100% web-based course with no required face-to-face meetings. All contact between professor and students are via the computer.

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# **EXPECTATIONS**

Students work individually, not in groups, and not necessarily on the same schedule.

You should expect to log in at least every 2 days of this semester. There are no programmed days off, no programmed breaks.

There is an assignment due every Tuesday (and a few other on different days). Every Monday a module ends and in general you will not be able to complete it after that.

The course is deadline based and does not follow the university calendar. What this means is there is scheduled work to be done even if you have "days off" from the academic schedule.

# You are tested on Evidence and not Opinion

You will not be tested for grade on current events or case studies in economics. You are expected to learn timeless principles of economics and to learn to solve problems with analysis. Opinion and emotion have no place in economics, we will use logic and evidence. Evidence includes established economic theory and validated data.

# COURSE DATES

- First day of access to course: Monday, January 9, 2023
- Last day to drop without a grade of WD: January 22, 2023
- Last day to withdraw: February 26, 2023. Verify this with your advisor.
- Benchmark: If you have not completed Module 6 by Friday, February 24, 2023, or you have missed closure dates and taken a zero more than once you should consider dropping the course. Talk to me well in advance of the drop date.
- Class deadlines include "Due Dates" every Tuesday for each module that keep the student on a pace to complete the course. (See Calendar below)
- Each module has a "Module Close Date" on the following Monday after which time the student who has not attempted that module will have a zero ('0') recorded.
- Spring Recess is March 20-26, 2023.
- Last day to submit modules (except for Module 16): Friday May 5, 2023 at 11:30 pm without my explicit written permission.
- Module 16 Evaluations must be submitted on or before May 6, 2023 at 11:30 pm, except as announced in the class.
- Grades recorded: Tuesday, May 9, 2023

# **COVID POLICIES**

The university has in place policies for Coronavirus. See <u>https://www.uakron.edu/return-to-</u> <u>campus/index.dot</u>) and make sure you are in compliance. I have no idea whether these are still relevant, but being online, this has no effect on us.

# **STAYING ON TRACK**

See the Calendar and Important Dates at the end of this syllabus and on the menu bar in the course.

- 1. All modules have a due date designed to keep you on track and moving forward. There is work due every Tuesday. Late work is subject to a penalty. The time between Tuesday and the closure date of Monday is my time, not yours.
- 2. All modules also have a date of module closure, a grace period, at which time the quiz on that module will cease to be available and a score of zero will be recorded. Through week 15, these closures are all on Mondays.

- 3. The grace period is to be used only if you find yourself in some occasional difficulty with content or life and require my advances permission. Be warned that entering the grace period on one module does not extend the due dates on subsequent modules.
- 4. Work on each Module begins on Wednesday.

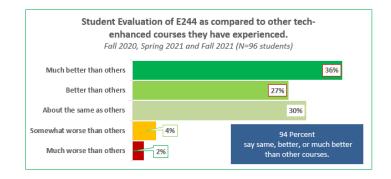
## WHAT PAST STUDENTS WILL TELL YOU.

Past student reviews of this course are online at my blog at <u>https://econdatascience.com/online-class-support/</u>. Please read them.

• You will discover your fellow students have cautioned you not to underestimate the amount of work in this course and the dangers of not sticking to the completion schedule. You do not have to sit through three one-hour lectures each week and use up the travel time to get there and back. As you can see from the Students who reported in Spring 2022 that the amount of time required each week that the time is reasonable for a 3 credit course and averages about 4 to 5 hours per week. Your "mileage may vary."

| How many hours per week did you sp | end on your economics course? |           |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|
| less than 2 hours per week         | 2                             | (6.45 %)  |
| 2-4 hours per week                 | 13                            | (41.94 %) |
| 4-6 hours per week                 | 13                            | (41.94 %) |
| 6-8 hours per week                 | 3                             | (9.68 %)  |
| more than 8 hours per week.        | 0                             | (0 %)     |

• 87% of fall 2021 students, 100% of spring 2021 students and 94% of fall 2020 students say this course is the same or better than all other technologically enhanced courses they have experienced 36% saying much better.



# CONTACTING YOUR PROFESSOR

- 1. You must use your UAnet (uakron.edu) email account always. When I communicate to your UAnet email account I will assume you will read it promptly and answer as appropriate. There is no exception to this.
- 2. **IMPORTANT:** When you email me always
  - a. Include this in the subject of the email, E244 WWW Spring 2023
  - b. <u>include your full name</u> at the end of your message.
  - c. include your UAnet id with or under your name.
  - d. Never include your student id (it is meaningless to me).
- 3. You must include your UAnetID when contacting me. Your UAnetID is the 'letters and numbers' in front of your email address, that is, if your email address is <u>me123@uakron.edu</u> then 'me123' is your UAnetID.

## Professor response time

I will generally be online every day or two during the week to check your progress. Nevertheless, a 48 hour response from the professor will be considered timely, longer on weekends. Therefore, you must plan for a day or two turn around between each module.

I teach and respond to a large number of students, backups on my side do occur. I will endeavor to respond to every email (including learning assessments) that I receive.

Module quizzes, on which you do not achieve the required score, require me to advance you manually after I review your work. I will do this when I respond to your learning assessment and in some cases before I respond.

# Office hours

Office hours are virtual through MS Teams and by appointment. I will announce any open virtual office hours during the term.

Your best contact for me is by email. I can often answer your questions best via email.

If you want to meet with me in MS Teams (a virtual conference) send an email with suggested times and I will respond. Do not stop all work on the course waiting for us to talk. A link to the virtual office is in the course on the front page of the course.

# TUTORING VIA KNACK

Students looking for free tutoring outside of the classroom are advised to consider working with a peer tutor via Knack. The University of Akron, College of Business Administration has partnered with Knack to provide students with access to vetted peer tutors who have previously aced this course; services are sponsored (free) for students while supplies last. To view available tutors, visit <u>https://www.joinknack.com/school/university-of-akron</u> and sign in with your student account.

# **GRADING POLICY**

The final grade in the course will be based on 175 points:

- 1. O points There are zero points awarded for Module 1, but you will not be able to continue the course until completed.
- 2. 10 points The Economics in One Lesson assignment, Module 2A is worth up to 10 points.
- 3. 10 points each There are 12 module quizzes numbered 2B, 3, 4, 6-9, 11-15. Each of these 12 module quizzes have a maximum value of 10 points each for a total of 120 points.
- 4. 15 points The Data Ignorance Assignments, Module 7A are worth up to 15 points.
- 5. 20 points The Final Data Project is worth up to 20 points.
- 6. 10 points I require everyone to complete the evaluations in Module 16, so if you complete them all you will receive 10 points for Module 16, the final evaluation module. Evaluation points are awarded to you for completion of all forms, not for what is said on the form. Either you get 10 points for completing all forms or zero points.

Bonus points if awarded will add directly to your final percentage total. Letter grades will then be assigned based on that new score as shown in the next section. All bonuses are found in the course content, but are never put on the calendar, and are never required.

# **GRADE SCALE**

No scaling of the grades will happen. There is no extra credit however there are a few bonuses.

The percentage grade is calculated as the sum of your points divided by the total amount possible of 175 points. Grade Scale will be A for 92-100 percent, A- for 90-91, B+ for 88-89, B for 82-87, B- for 80-81, C+ for 78-79, C for 72-77, C- for 70-71, D+ for 68-69, D for 62-67, D- for 60-61, F below 60 percent. [Note: 91.99 is still an A-, *there is no rounding of scores*]. The class is not competitive with the other students and all will make the grade for which they are qualified.

# UA Policy for grade appeal

A student who wishes to appeal a final grade must initiate the procedure by the end of the fifth week of the spring semester for grades received during the preceding fall semester, and by the fifth week of the fall semester for grades received during the preceding spring or summer semesters. For grades earned during the semester in which a student graduates, grade appeals must be initiated and completed before the degree is posted to the student's permanent record. Students must first review the matter with the instructor. If the matter is not resolved, or if the instructor is not available, the student must submit a written appeal to the department chair or school director. Re-examination for the purpose of raising a grade is not permitted.

# ACADEMIC HONOR - IMPORTANT

Taking the quizzes for this course is NOT a "team" activity. All work should be entirely on your own and not done in consultation with classmates or anyone else. Any violation of this policy including reference to any student work past or present will result in the grade of "F" for the course. You should be aware that brightspace tracks all activity that takes place within the program including which IP address you are using. All quizzes are randomized so questions are rarely the same.

# TEXTBOOK AND COURSE SUPPORT

You will need two (2) texts, both free and online.

### Textbook Number 1 – Stephen A. Greenlaw and David Shapiro

The first and primary textbook is <u>Principles of Economics</u>, <u>Second Edition</u>, by Steve Greenlaw and David Shapiro is FREE and Open Source. Please go to this link to acquire the FREE text in one of many formats: <u>https://openstax.org/details/books/principles-economics-2e</u>.

### Textbook Number 2 – Henry Hazlitt

The second book which we will use in the first week is by <u>Henry Hazlitt, Economics in One Lesson</u>. You can FREELY download it or read it online at <u>https://fee.org/resources/economics-in-one-lesson/</u>. It will be used in Module 2a. (Once on the fee.org page scroll down to see the full online web-based version).

# HOW THE COURSE IS DESIGNED

### Module Types

The course is organized into modules that are revealed one by one. The modules must be completed in order. You are to master each one before being permitted to move forward.

| ECON 244 Intro     | duction to Economic Analysis- Module list   | 2023 fall semester due dates. See<br>Calendar and Important Dates for<br>other important dates. |
|--------------------|---|---|
| <b>Orientation</b> |   |   |
| Module 1           | This is a required orientation module and must be completed by the first Tuesday of the semester.   | Tuesday, January 10, 2023   |
| Economic Evidend   | e Assignments   |   |
| Module 2A          | How you think matters.<br>Read and review of the book "Economics in One Lesson." There is<br>no 'data' involved, but lays the foundation for the entire course<br>and in particular Module 7A and 15A.  | Tuesday, January 17, 2023   |
| Module 7A          | How you think requires correct facts. Facts Matter.<br>Three parts each begins with a quiz of your current knowledge and<br>ends with an essay on the point of the part. Part 1 is your<br>knowledge of world data. Part 2 is knowledge of US data and Part<br>3 tests your knowledge of inequality data. | Tuesday, February 28, 2023  |
| Module 15A         | Economic data analysis requires critical thinking, correct evidence<br>and the scientific method.<br>Final economic data analytic project. Asking and answering an<br>important question about the economy using theory and data.   | Tuesday, May 2, 2023  |

#### Quiz-based Modules

| Module 2B           | Foundation Modules   | Tuesday, January 24, 2023  |
|---------------------|--|----------------------------|
| Module 3            | Scarcity, Opportunity Costs, Demand and Supply, Demand   | Tuesday, January 31, 2023  |
| Module 4            | Elasticity, Supply Elasticity, Labor and Financial Markets   | Tuesday, February 7, 2023  |
| Module 6            | Microeconomics   | Tuesday, February 14, 2023 |
| Module 7            | Cost and Industry structure, the theory of the firm, Private and   | Tuesday, February 21, 2023 |
| Module 8            | public goods, the environment, Policy and An economic Theory of<br>Government  | Tuesday, March 7, 2023     |
| Module 9            |  | Tuesday, March 14, 2023    |
| Module 11           | Macroeconomics   | Tuesday, March 28, 2023    |
| Module 12           | GDP, Economic Growth, Unemployment, Inflation, Money and<br>Monetary Policy, the Federal Reserve, Macroeconomic modeling,  | Tuesday, April 4, 2023     |
| Module 13           | Government Spending, Taxation, Deficits, Debt  | Tuesday, April 11, 2023    |
| Module 14           |  | Tuesday, April 18, 2023    |
| Module 15           |  | Tuesday, April 25, 2023    |
| <b>Evaluations</b>  |  |                            |
| Module 7A           | This evaluation is the first item in Module 8 and reflects on Module<br>7A just completed. It is due when presented to you.  | Wednesday March 1, 2023    |
| Module 16           | Three evaluations, (1) a one question quality evaluation, (2) a confidential College of Business evaluation, (3) an evaluation of the elements of this course.                 | Tuesday, May 2, 2023       |
| <u>Bonus Points</u> | Bonus opportunities are embedded in the course content. They are never announced and while they carry date restrictions, they are not part of the course and are not required. |                            |

#### **Economic Evidence Modules**

Three modules are designed to teach you about the importance of data and economic theory to solve problems.

The first of these (Module 2A) seems so simple and seems to focus on theory, when in reality it is so deep that even Nobel Prize winning economists get it wrong and many economist ignore the role of long-term data every day. The masterpiece that is Economics in One Lesson sets the stage for the subsequent economic evidence modules.

Module 7A shows us how we are biased in our solving of economic problems because we have an inaccurate perception of the world around us. That is, we seem to 'know' things that aren't so. This creates a false premise from which me make terrible economic and policy decisions. Module 7A also shows us that emotions and opinion have no place in analysis, precisely because they can lead our predictions astray.

Module 7A takes the place of any midterm exam.

Finally, Module 15A is revealed about a month before it is due and represents the final project in the course and takes the place of any final exam. You will learn to display long-term data in a graphical interface in order to support your solution to a casual economic question. The tool you will use, FRED from the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, will become a lifelong companion. Nevermore will you have to depend only on news and opinion sources for the facts.

#### Quiz based modules

Each Module consists of (1) content to study, (2) a repeatable 10-item quiz, and (3) a required learning assessment.

Twelve modules are Chapter-based and include a quiz at the end. You will be able to take the quiz up to three times, but the quiz questions change with each attempt. (10 points each)

The Graph Quiz: The graphics quiz in Module 2B is not counted in your grades. It is an assessment of your skills to signal your ability to do well in the types of graphical skills critical to this course. Failure to do well on the graph quiz spells trouble for your ability to do this course successfully. Until you score a 9 of 10 you will not be able to advance.

- Each module (2B to 15) includes various files of helpful material to help you learn the material of the chapters.
  - (content) These include for each chapter a lecture outline, a PowerPoint presentation and a set of thinking questions (including answers). Enhancements include video and sound files to highlight important concepts.
  - (quiz) At the end of each module is the quiz of 10 questions based on the learning objectives for each chapter.
  - (Learning assessment) After you take the quiz (up to three times or until you get a 10) you must complete a learning assessment.

- (advancing) You are advanced on an achievement of a score required to advance, otherwise you must wait on Dr. Myers to manually advance you.
- The content of the next module will open immediately after you take three attempts of the previous module quiz or if you receive a score of 10. If you do not take three attempts or score a 10, I will have to manually override this for you to see the content. Exception to that is in the next bullet.
- If you achieve a "score required to advance" which is detailed in the IMPORTANT DATES document for each module, you will be automatically advanced even if you do not take three attempts. For example, scoring a 9 on module 6 quiz will automatically advance you to the next module quiz, and open the content.
- WARNING: Quoting my favorite entertainer, Joe Bonamassa,"Just because you can doesn't mean you should." That is, just because you can advance without scoring a 10 doesn't mean you should. It will have an adverse effect on your grade if you leave "attempts" on the table.
- You must complete a Learning Assessment form immediately at the conclusion of your module quiz. Do not delay this or it will delay you. The learning assessments are found at the end of each module (except modules with A, such as 2A, 7A, or 14A) by way of a link. They arrive in Dr. Myers' email and is the only required direct course contact we have. You complete them when you finish a module or have a question. You may use a learning assessment to communicate for other reasons, just use the appropriate dropdown message in the form.

# Self-paced, self-disciplined Design

It is impossible to complete this course in a few weeks! Students' report that this course is as much or in some cases <u>much more work than a regular face to face course</u>. We will cover almost the entire book. While this is a self-paced course, you may still have to wait up to 2 days between modules for my response. If you fall behind, there is no guarantee you will be able to complete the course on time. So pay attention to the suggested course completion schedule and stay on pace to finish as shown.

# What if I get a bad question or disagree with the answer? (Point 3 is most critical)

- 1. With 5000-6000 questions in the test bank some figures and graphs may be missing or incorrect. There is an opportunity to receive compensation during the evaluation module. Over the years most of the 'bad' questions have been edited or eliminated so this should be extremely rare. It is important that you alert me immediately if you have a question that is malformed, such as a question with no graph when it should be there, or references in the question and the possible answers that do not conform. You can do this using the learning assessment for the module in which you find the error.
- 2. Disagreeing or not understanding an answer is more typical, so use the appropriate space in the Learning Assessment to ask. Because everyone gets different questions, please refer to your quiz questions by Module, Attempt and Question Number. Example, if you are asking for clarification on the first question in your second attempt on Module 3, you would refer to that question as M3-A2-Q1. Reading M3-A2-Q1 will allow me to find the question of concern, you do not need to send me a "picture" of the question.
- 3. You may not simply ask about a question, you must tell why you think your answer is right or explain why the question is faulty.

## History of this course.

This course began in 2003 as the first 100 percent online course in the college. The primary historical book for this course is Michael Parkin, <u>Economics</u> 8<sup>th</sup> edition, Addison Wesley - Pearson Publishing; ISBN: #0321423011 (2008). The course was originally built on a previous edition and the module outline still follows the 2008-book's outline somewhat, however I have changed to the Greenlaw and Shapiro text many years ago. (The current version of Parkin is over \$300, your text is free – you are welcome).

The original 'Parkin' content remains in the PowerPoints and chapter outlines which still offer much of the support for the content in Greenlaw and Shapiro. There will be some wording differences and some content differences between the text (Greenlaw and Shapiro) and the Parkin PowerPoints and other supportive materials. By a reading of the text AND the supportive material (especially the PowerPoints) you will get a good grasp of the content.

The testing is geared to the learning objectives of Parkin 8<sup>th</sup> edition, but an outline in each module shows how the text by Greenlaw and Shapiro covers the same topics. At the top of each module is a direct comparison between the texts for you to use to match up sections that cover objectives. Every effort has been made over the years to eliminate questions that are no longer relevant to the course.

# A MASTERY-BASED COURSE DESIGN

### "Rules of the Game"

Each module quiz will consist of 10 questions randomly drawn from the test bank within each learning objective announced for each chapter. You will have 15 minutes to complete the quiz and should review and study before you take a second attempt at a quiz. Review your past quiz attempt, discover your mistakes and correct them by studying before taking the next attempt. You are on your honor to review before just starting the next attempt.

### "Warning" do not take quizzes back to back

If you ask for assistance and you have taken all three quizzes back to back without delay in between each attempt you should expect less sympathy and less help as you are telegraphing your lack of seriousness. In other words, if you do not score well on one attempt, what makes you think if you take it two more times without studying your mistakes that you will score higher?

### Acceptable progress

The goal is that you reach mastery over the competencies in the material before you move on. A student who makes a perfect score (10) on a module quiz and completes the module evaluation will be permitted to begin the next module. Students who don't attain a perfect score on the first module quiz will have two additional attempts to do so. After the third attempt, the content of the next module will be opened for you automatically. If you have scored at least a score of 8, you will advanced to the quiz by the instructor within 48 hours of receiving your learning assessment. A highest score on the three quizzes of a module that is less than 8 will require an intervention which is optional if you score a 7 and required if it is a 6 or less.

The score needed to advance automatically initially starts at 100% for the early and most important foundation chapters. It then drops to a score of 90% and then to 80% according to the schedule shown in the Important Dates Calendar below. To summarize Modules 2B, 3, 4, 6 and 7 require a perfect score of 10, Modules 8 to 10 require a score of 9 and Modules 11-15 require an 8.

If you achieve in Modules 8-15 a score less than 10 and can advance, but you still have one or two attempts you are advised to continue to try for the 10 to help your grade.

### Unacceptable progress

Any student who receives a module final score of 6 or less will receive a notice from Dr. Myers requesting an online or face-to-face meeting. You will not be permitted to continue to the next module quiz without that meeting and a successful resolution of the problem that led to the score of 6 or less. In short, do what is necessary to avoid that score. (Note: A 6 of 10 is commiserate with a letter grade of D- and, therefore, indicates un-acceptable progress requiring intervention.) In Modules 2, 3, 4 - unacceptable progress may be an 8 or below because of the importance of this early foundational material.

### Is advance Automatic or Manual?

There are two parts to each module, the content and the quiz.

- Starting with Module 3, the content will automatically appear when three attempts have been made on the previous module quiz or the score on the previous module was a 10.
- The quiz will appear when the score required to advance has been met.
  - A 10 is required in Modules 2B, 3, and 4 to advance.
  - A 9 is required in Modules 6, 7, 8, and 9 to advance.
  - Modules 11-15 require an 8 to advance.
- You are to take all three attempts even if you get the minimum score to advance on attempt 1 or 2.
- Manual advance is required by me when you have not scored a high enough point total and attempts.

For example, if your highest score after 3 attempts on Module 2B is 9 or less then the content for Module 3 is open so you can study the material, but the quiz will not open until I manually do so.

Another example, if your highest score on Module 10 is a 9 after your second attempt, the Module 11 quiz is available, but the content for Module 11 awaits you taking two more attempts – or – me manually advancing you.

### Learning Assessments are required after each module quiz completion.

A simple email form called the Learning Assessment is at the end of every (except Module 2A, 7A and 14A). These asks you to summarize what you learned and gives you a change to ask questions. They allow me to follow your progress and assess your mastery. They are the only way I am alerted to the fact you have completed a module.

# COMPUTER REQUIREMENTS

In order to fully participate in the course, you need to have the following:

- 1. Students are required to use the class homepage at <u>http://brightspace.uakron.edu</u>.
- 2. You must do a system check by clicking in the 'System Check' menu item once in brightspace, or you can access it directly here: <u>https://brightspace.uakron.edu/d2l/systemCheck</u>.
- 3. Specific help in brightspace is available 24/7 at 877-325-7778. You will find this information and more in the "Need Help?" section of your brightspace homepage.
- 4. A getting started in Brightspace for Learnerts is accessed here: <u>https://community.brightspace.com/s/article/Semester-Start-Learners</u>
- 5. The best URL for help is Zip Support at <u>https://www.uakron.edu/helpdesk/</u>, the IT service desk is 330-972-6888.

# COURSE LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Each student will achieve a broad familiarity with five course objectives. By the end of this course, students should be able to:

- Explain major laws, theories, and concepts in economics.
  - These concepts are expressed in the outline of the course below.
- Find and evaluate economic resources
  - In this class you will be required to locate information resources, gage their reliability and use them in one or more assignments or in preparing your discussion responses and writing assignments. Information resources will include, but are not limited to economic data as published in credible sources.
- Compare and contrast the balance between efficiency and equity
  - You will learn that Economics provides a clear ethical framework by which we can evaluate policies and all decisions, specifically, by weighing the costs and benefits, both monetary and nonmonetary. In this class you will be confronted with how markets work and the outcomes that occur from different market structures.
- Solve economic problems

Your success on each of the exams will be related to your ability to demonstrate your ability to solve complex problems as shown in class, in your text and other resources.

- Write like an economist
  - Writing is a major part of this class. You will be required to address economic issues and problems. Learning to write logically and without unnecessary opinion will be critical. As economics is about learning and solving analytical problems, a complete analysis often requires the balancing of conflicting conclusions, such as the gauging of which policy may be preferred and why. Sometimes, this requires a balance between allocative efficiency and distributional equity. Furthermore, learning to communicate results in lay terms is essential.
  - There are 15 writing assignments in this course. Twelve are ungraded, but are required at the conclusion of modules. This is our primary communication and you are to communicate economic ideas and questions on those ideas in a complete and articulate manner. Three are fuller essay assignments in Modules 2A, 7A and 14A.

# **IMPORTANT DATES**

### This calendar is in your course under the menu item Important dates.

#### ECON 244 Spring 2023 Completion Dates

Dr. Myers

| Monday  | Week<br>number | Modules to<br>complete                  | total<br>points | Time<br>limit on<br>quiz | Score required<br>to advance (or<br>take 3<br>attempts) | Due Date for QUIZ<br>and Learning<br>Assessment 11:30<br>PM on | Module closes and<br>a zero score is<br>recorded on | Chapters in Greenlaw and Shapiro (or Hazlitt)  |
|---------|----------------|---|-----------------|--------------------------|---|--|---|--|
| 1/9/23  | 1              | 1                                       | 0               |                          |   | Tue, Jan 10, 2023  | Mon, Jan 16, 2023                                   | no text needed   |
| 1/16/23 | 1              | 2A<br>Writing<br>Assignment             | 10              |                          |   | Tue, Jan 17, 2023  | Mon, Jan 23, 2023                                   | Witing Assignment based on Hazlitt's Economics in<br>One Lesson.   |
| 1/23/23 | 2              | 2B                                      | 10              | 15<br>minutes            | 10  | Tue, Jan 24, 2023  | Mon, Jan 30, 2023                                   | Chapter 1: Welcome to Economical<br>Chapter 2: Choice in a World of Scarcity<br>Appendix A: The Use of Mathematics in Principles of<br>Economics   |
| 1/30/23 | 3              | 3                                       | 10              | 15<br>minutes            | 10  | Tue, Jan 31, 2023  | Mon, Feb 06, 2023                                   | Chapter 3: Demand and Supply (sections 3.1-3.3)<br>Chapter 5: Elasticity   |
| 2/6/23  | 4              | 4                                       | 10              | 15<br>minutes            | 10  | Tue, Feb 07, 2023  | Mon, Feb 13, 2023                                   | Chapter 3: Demand and Supply (section 3.4-3.5)<br>Chapter 4: Labor and Financial Markets   |
| 2/13/23 | 3              | 6<br>(there is no<br>Module 5)          | 10              | 15<br>minutes            | 9   | Tue, Feb 14, 2023  | Mon, Feb 20, 2023                                   | Chapter 7: Cost and Industry Structure   |
| 2/20/23 | 6              | 7                                       | 10              | 15<br>minutes            | 9   | Tue, Feb 21, 2023  | Mon, Feb 27, 2023                                   | Chapter 8: Perfect Competition<br>Chapter 9: Monopoly  |
| 2/27/23 | 7              | 7A<br>Writing<br>Assignment             | 15              |                          | submission  | Tue, Feb 28, 2023  | Mon, Mar 06, 2023                                   | Writing assignment in three parts with three required essays.  |
| 3/6/23  | 8              | 8                                       | 10              | 15<br>minutes            | 9   | Tue, Mar 07, 2023  | Mon, Mar 13, 2023                                   | Chapter 10: Monopolistic Competition and Oligopoly<br>Chapter 11: Monopoly and Antitrust Policy  |
| 3/13/23 | 9              | 9                                       | 10              | 15<br>minutes            | 9   | Tue, Mar 14, 2023  | Mon, Mar 20, 2023                                   | Chapter 12: Environmental Protection and Negative<br>Externalities<br>Chapter 13: Positive Externalities and Public Goods  |
| 3/20/23 | 11             | Spring<br>Break                         |                 |                          |   |  |   |  |
| 3/27/23 | 10             | 11<br>There is no<br>module 10          | 10              | 15<br>minutes            | 8   | Tue, Mar 28, 2023  | Mon, Apr 03, 2023                                   | Chapter 19: The Macroeconomic Perspective<br>Chapter 20: Economic Growth   |
| 4/3/23  | 12             | 12                                      | 10              | 15<br>minutes            | 8   | Tue, Apr 04, 2023  | Mon, Apr 10, 2023                                   | Chapter 21: Unemployment<br>Chapter 22: Inflation  |
| 4/10/23 | 13             | 13                                      | 10              | 15<br>minutes            | 8   | Tue, Apr 11, 2023  | Mon, Apr 17, 2023                                   | Chapter 20: Economic Growth<br>Chapter 22: Inflation<br>Chapter 27: Money and Banking<br>Chapter 28: Monetary Policy and Bank Regulation   |
| 4/17/23 | 14             | 14                                      | 10              | 15<br>minutes            | 8   | Tue, Apr 18, 2023  | Mon, Apr 24, 2023                                   | Chapter 19: The Macroeconomic Perspective<br>Chapter 21: Unemployment<br>Chapter 22: Inflation<br>Chapter 24: The Aggregate Demand/Aggregate<br>Supply Model<br>Chapter 25: The Keynesian Perspective<br>Chapter 25: The Keynesian Perspective |
| 4/24/23 | 15             | 15                                      | 10              | 15<br>minutes            | 8   | Tue, Apr 25, 2023  | Mon, May 01, 2023                                   | Chapter 28: Monetary Policy and Bank Regulation<br>Chapter 30: Government Budgets and Fiscal Policy<br>Chapter 31: The Impacts of Government Borrowing   |
| 5/1/23  | 15             | 15A<br>Writing<br>Assignment            | 20              |                          | submission  | Tue, May 02, 2023  | Fri, May 05, 2023                                   |  |
| 5/1/23  | Finals<br>week | Evaluation<br>Module 16<br>Total Points | 10<br>175       |                          |   | Tue, May 02, 2023  | Sat, May 06, 2023                                   |  |

# ACADEMIC CALENDAR

This calendar is on the menu in your course as 'Calendar'

| 2023                           | Jan                | uary  |                       |              |   |   |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|---|-----------------------|--------------|---|---|
| MONDAY<br>26                   | TUESDAY<br>27      | WEDNESDAY<br>28   | THURSDAY<br>29        | FRIDAY<br>30 | SATURDAY<br>31  | SUNDAY<br>01  |
| 20                             | 27                 | 20  |                       | 50           | 51  |   |
| 02                             | 03                 | 04  | 05                    | 06           | 07  | 08  |
| YELLOW high                    | lighted dates show | are shown in GREEN a<br>the three economic c<br>indicated or at the     | lata analytic writing | assignments. | Course opens this<br>weekend for Module<br>1 orientation early<br>access. | Course opens this<br>weekend for Module<br>1 orientation early<br>access. |
| 09                             | 10                 | 11  | 12                    | 13           | 14  | 15  |
| Begin and complete<br>Module 1 | Module 1 due       | Begin Module 2A,<br>the first of 3 data<br>analytic writing<br>projects |                       |              |   |   |
| 16                             | 17                 | 18  | 19                    | 20           | 21  | 22  |
| Module 1 closes                | Module 2A due      | Begin Module 2B,<br>the first of the 12<br>quiz-based<br>Modules        |                       |              | Suggested Due<br>Date for the<br>Graph Quiz                               |   |
| 23                             | 24                 | 25  | 26                    | 27           | 28  | 29  |
| module 2A closes               | Module 2B due      | Begin Module 3  | -                     |              |   |   |
| 30                             | 31                 | Notes:  |                       |              |   |   |
| Module 2B closes               | Module 3 due       |   |                       |              |   |   |

| 2023   | Feb                 | ruary  |   |        |                                     |        |
|--|---------------------|--|---|--------|-------------------------------------|--------|
| MONDAY   | TUESDAY<br>31       | WEDNESDAY  | THURSDAY  | FRIDAY | SATURDAY                            | SUNDAY |
| 30<br>Module 2B closes                                 | S I<br>Module 3 due | 01<br>Begin Module 4   | 02  | 03     | 04                                  | 05     |
| 06<br>Module 3 closes                                  | 07<br>Module 4 due  | 08<br>Begin Module 6<br>(there is no Module<br>5)                      | 09  | 10     | 11                                  | 12     |
| 13<br>Module 4 closes                                  | 14<br>Module 6 due  | 15<br>Begin Module 7   | 16  | 17     | 18                                  | 19     |
| 20   | 21                  | 22   | 23  | 24     | 25                                  | 26     |
| Module 6 closes  | Module 7 due        | Begin Module 7A.<br>This module is the second<br>data analytic module. | Module 7A has 3 parts<br>each with 2 quizzes.<br>Suggestion: complete<br>7A-1 today |        | Suggestion:<br>complete 7A-2 today. |        |
| 27   | 28                  | 01   | 02  | 03     | 04                                  | 05     |
| Module 7 closes<br>Suggestion: complete<br>7A-3 today. | Module 7A due       | Begin Module 8   |   |        |                                     |        |

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| MONDAY<br>27   | TUESDAY<br>28                              | WEDNESDAY<br>01                            | THURSDAY<br>02                                      | FRIDAY<br>03                               | SATURDAY<br>04                             | SUNDAY<br>05                               |
| Module 7 closes<br>Suggestion: complete<br>7A-3 today.       | Module 7A due                              | Begin Module 8                             | 02  |  |  |  |
| 06   | 07   | 08   | 09  | 10   | 11   | 12   |
| Module 7A closes   | Module 8 due                               | Begin Module 9                             |   |  |  |  |
| 13   | 14   | 15   | 16  | 17   | 18   | 19   |
| Module 8 closes  | Module 9 due                               | Begin Module 11<br>(there is no Module 10) |   |  |  |  |
| 20   | 21   | 22   | 23  | 24   | 25   | 26   |
| Spring Recess<br>Course remains<br>active<br>Module 9 closes | Spring Recess,<br>course remains<br>active | Spring Recess,<br>course remains<br>active | Spring Recess,<br>course remains<br>active          | Spring Recess,<br>course remains<br>active | Spring Recess,<br>course remains<br>active | Spring Recess,<br>course remains<br>active |
| 27   | 28   | 29   | 30  | 31   | 01   | 02   |
|  | Module 11 due                              | Begin Module 12<br>Begin Module<br>15A     | Module 15A is<br>the final data<br>analytic project |  |  |  |

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| MONDAY                 | TUESDAY                               | WEDNESDAY                                    | THURSDAY  | FRIDAY | SATURDAY | SUNDAY |
| 27                     | 28<br>Module 11 due                   | 29<br>Begin Module 12<br>Begin Module<br>15A | 30<br>Module 15A is<br>the final data<br>analytic project | 31     | 01       | 02     |
| 03<br>Module 11 closes | 04<br>Module 12 due                   | <b>05</b><br>Begin Module 13                 | 06  | 07     | 08       | 09     |
| 10<br>Module 12 closes | 11<br>Module 13 due                   | <b>12</b><br>Begin Module 14                 | 13  | 14     | 15       | 16     |
| 17<br>Module 13 closes | 18<br>Module 14 due                   | <b>19</b><br>Begin Module 15                 | 20  | 21     | 22       | 23     |
| 24                     | 25                                    | 26   | 27  | 28     | 29       | 30     |
| Module 14 closes       | Module 15 due                         | Finalize your<br>Module 15A Data<br>Project  |   |        |          |        |
| 01<br>Module 15 closes | 02<br>Module 15A due<br>Module 16 due | Notes:                                       |   |        |          |        |

| 2023                   | May  |           |          |                            |   |        |
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| MONDAY                 | TUESDAY  | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY                     | SATURDAY  | SUNDAY |
| 01<br>Module 15 closes | 02<br>Module 15A due<br>Module 16 due                        | 03        | 04       | 05<br>Module 15A<br>closes | 06<br>Module 16 closes<br>Last day to<br>access course. | 07     |
| 08                     | <b>09</b><br>Grades recorded<br>with University<br>Registrar | 10        | 11       | 12                         | 13  | 14     |