

Economics

151. History of Labor in the United States (3)

Prerequisites: ECON 40, 50. Analytical topics from historical viewpoint; evolution of unions and labor legislation interpreted in terms of economic theory.

152. Economics of Human Resources (3)

Prerequisites: ECON 40, 50 or permission of instructor. Economic theory of investment in education, job training, and health; economic theories of discrimination; analysis of earnings differentials for women and ethnic minorities. Issues discussed include educational choices, affirmative action, comparable worth, and "manpower" planning policies.

161. Population Economics (3)

Prerequisites: ECON 40, 50. Development of an economic framework for studying components of population growth: fertility, mortality, and migration. Analysis of relationship between population change and modern economic growth in both developed and lesser developed nations.

162. Health Economics (3)

Prerequisite: ECON 40. Economic issues associated with the provision of health care in the U.S. Role of competitive market forces, non-profits, and government. Separate consideration of physicians, hospitals, insurance, and drug companies. Comparison to other countries.

165. The Modern American Economy (3)

No prerequisites. Not open to economics majors. Provides an overview of the major economic forces that shape our everyday experiences by introducing fundamental economic principles and applying them to the American economy. Audio-visual materials and computer simulations are presented.

167. Contemporary Socioeconomic Challenges (3)

In-depth analysis and discussion of major socio-economic challenges currently facing the U.S. Emphasis on understanding basic economic underpinnings of contemporary policy issues. Analysis of conflicting economic, social, political, and historical forces which condition and constrain policy implementation. G.E. Integration ID.

174. Government Regulation of Economic Activity (3)

Prerequisites: ECON 40, 50. Justification for regulation, constitutional limitations, public utility regulation, regulation of

monopoly; competitive practices; government policy in other areas of economic activity.

176. Economics Themes in Film (3)

Emphasizes economic concepts, issues, and institutions through an integrated series of classic films, lectures, and discussions. Students will apply the economic way of thinking to social problems involving such topics as economic growth, unemployment, income distribution, discrimination, and the global economy. G.E. Integration ID.

178. International Economics (3)

Prerequisites: ECON 40, 50. International economic relations; problems and policies in the light of fundamental economic theory.

179. International Political Economy (3)

Problems of economic underdevelopment in the Third World within the context of the world economy, nature, and function of multinational corporations, theories of economic imperialism.

180. Comparative Economic Systems (3)

Prerequisites: ECON 40, 50. Comparative study of economic systems of the modern world; capitalism, socialism, communism, fascism, and the problems which arise within each.

181. Political Economy of Latin America (3)

Latin America's principal economic problems examined within a historical and contemporary context. Topics may include Colonialism, Neo-Colonialism, foreign corporations, debt crises, problems of industrialization, women and labor, agricultural backwardness, and free trade agreements. Intensive examination of major nations (particularly Mexico) and of dominant theoretical interpretations. Theories of development (structuralism, dependency, dualism, modernization) are integrated into case studies. G.E. Multicultural/International MI.

182. The Political Economy of China (3)

Prerequisites: upper-division standing and/or permission of instructor. A survey and analysis of economic development in China and its linkages with politics, history, society, and foreign policy.

183. Political Economy of the Middle East (3)

Prerequisites: upper-division standing. A survey of historical, social, cultural, political, and economic development, economic development in the Middle East. An examination of Western colonial policies, the creation of modern states and their political and economic policies, the role of religion, and cultural heritage. G.E. Integration ID.

185. Directed Readings

(1-3; max total 6)

Prerequisites: ECON 40, 50, and permission of instructor. Directed readings in the literature of economics. Intensive reading of economic literature on special topics under faculty supervision.

188T. Special Topics

(1-3; max total 6)

Prerequisites: ECON 40, 50. Consideration of in-depth, special topics in political economy; systematic, detailed study into issues not possible in survey courses. Topics vary with the needs and interest of students and faculty.

189T. Topics in Public Policy

(1-3; max total 6)

Prerequisites: ECON 40, 50. Detailed analysis of questions of economic policy. Areas of investigation include social welfare policy, farm policy, environmental quality policy, and others. Topics to be varied with the interests and needs of students and faculty.

190. Independent Study

(1-3; max total 6)

See *Academic Placement — Independent Study*. Approved for SP grading.

191. Internship in Applied Economics (3; max total 3)

Prerequisite: senior standing, economics major. Supervised experience in either the private or public sector to provide students an opportunity to professionally apply economic theory and analysis. CR/NC grading only.

IN-SERVICE COURSE

(See *Course Numbering System*.)

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365T. Economics for Teachers

(1-6; max total 12)