Course Syllabus

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AP Macroeconomics

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Course Description:

Macroeconomics is the branch of economics that deals with the structure, performance, behavior, and decision-making of the whole, or aggregate, economy. We will focus on the governmental, private and financial aspects of the marketplace and how they are measured and their roles and relationships.

Basic Expectations and Procedures:

Students will:

- **Be Respectful** to me, your peers, and yourself. Your behavior is a *reflection* of who you are.
- **Be Responsible**. Please come prepared to class with completed assignments and the required materials listed above.
- **Be a Team Player**. During cooperative learning activities, you may or may not choose your group member(s). Regardless, you are expected to work cooperatively with your peers.
- **Be Aware**. Ask questions when you need something clarified.
- Class begins when the bell rings. You are expected to be in your seat. Please come to class with a pass if you are late.
- If there is a warm-up assignment on the board, silently begin this assignment on your own.
- Please be silent during all announcements.
- You must have a pass to leave the room.
- **Cell phones** must be "parked" away and in ***silent*** mode at all times. Although there will be times when I will permit the use of cell phones, I will follow school policy regarding electronic devices at all other times

Tentative Course Outline:

Unit I - Basic Principles: Scarcity, Production possibilities curves, Comparative advantage

Unit II - Measuring the economy through GDP, inflation and unemployment.

Unit III - Economic growth; Economic failures; Fiscal policy

Unit IV - Financial sector; Monetary Policy

Unit V - Foreign exchange. (FOREX); Trade

Assignments and Grading:

All grades need to be viewed in ActiveStudent (https://madison.activestudent.net/Login.aspx) . Canvas grades are not your final grades.

Assessments will be both formative (graded/ungraded exercises for practice) and summative (graded exercises for measuring competencies in economics). There may be one alternative assessment during the semester.

Grades will be assigned according to the ranges and weights established in the student handbook. Point values of assignments will be determined according to their length and the amount of work required to complete them.

Homework/Classwork Policy:

Homework must be turned in on the date due. If not, then you will not receive full credit for the assignment. **If you are absent on the due date of a major assignment, essay, or similar project, the assignment is still expected on or before that due date unless prior arrangements are made with me.** In the event of an unforeseen absence, papers and projects can always be e-mailed to me. **If your attached document cannot be successfully opened, it does not count as being turned in!**

Late Work:

You are responsible to make up any missed work due to an absence. However many days you were absent, you have that many days to make up the work. Please see me after class to learn about what you missed. ***It is YOUR responsibility to find out what you have missed.*** If your assignment is late due to an unexcused absence, your grade will be impacted negatively. In the event of excused absences, you may make up a missed quiz or test AFTER school. Please see me if you have an issue.

Plagiarism:

You are expected to pursue your work with integrity and honesty. **Falsifying your work in any way will not be tolerated.** Please cite sources properly. Should you resort to such a choice, consequences will be determined in accordance with school policy. Your grade will be negatively impacted and your parents, your guidance counselor, and administration will be notified immediately.

Extra Help:

**Please check SAM for grades! Contact the main office if you have trouble logging in.

The Short and Sweet: Be a responsible student and individual.
Every assignment counts, so make every attempt to do them!

Let's make it a great year!