COURSE DESCRIPTION:

The course, American Economic History examines economic concepts in the context of the historic basis of economic life in the United States. “Economics helps us to understand the history: history helps us validate the usefulness of economic concepts”¹. A historic perspective can provide insights to understand why certain economic systems or policies have been chosen. An understanding of economic history can also be invaluable in understanding the cultural & economic goals that drive economic development and policies.

Economic history is not something that just happens in the past, but is forever evolving and happens/grows at the local level in our own lives. Current topics important to the vast majority of Americans; Job growth/protection, health care & Social Security will all be examined in a historic context.

1. Issues in American Economic History, Miller & Sexton, p5

TEXTBOOKS:

Required:  Issues in American Economic History; Miller & Sexton; 2nd Ed.; Southwestern, 2005

EXPECTED LEARNER OUTCOMES:

Objectives of this course include:

1. Introduce the student to the historic basis for the American economy
2. Introduce the student to the basic economic systems.
3. Introduce the student to the role societal goals & objectives shape the economic system chosen.
4. Place current economic issues into a historic context.
5. Consider what our economic history bodes for the future.

Course competencies are listed in the document, ECON113 Course Competencies (Econ113 Course Competencies Spr 07 to.doc) and are available at the instructor’s office and on blackboard.

METHODS AND TECHNIQUES:

1. Discussion, demonstration, and comparative analysis
2. Assigned problems and exercises
3. Evaluation – quizzes & examinations

COURSE WITHDRAW:

Current course withdraw dates are published in the 2009-2010 Student Handbook.
ACADEMIC ETHICS & ACADEMIC DISHONESTY POLICY

Students are expected to uphold the school’s standard of conduct relating to academic honesty. Students assume full responsibility for the content and integrity of the academic work they submit. The guiding principle of academic integrity shall be that the student’s submitted work, examinations, reports, and projects must be that of the student’s own work. Students shall be guilty of violating the Academic Ethics code if they:

1. Represent the work of others as their own, misrepresent the content of submitted work.
2. Use or obtain unauthorized assistance in any academic work.
3. Give unauthorized assistance to other students (i.e.: allowing other to copy your work).
4. Modify, without instructor approval, an examination, paper, record, or report for the purpose of obtaining additional credit.

The penalty for violating the Academic Ethics code is severe. Any student violating the Academic Ethics code, cheating, is subject to receive a failing grade for the course and will be reported to the Dean of Instruction. Furthermore, your instructor has the option of placing an X designation for the class on your transcript. If a student is unclear about whether a particular situation may constitute a violation, the student should meet with the instructor to discuss the situation.

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