COLLEGEWIDE COURSE OUTLINE OF RECORD

ECON 101, ECONOMICS FUNDAMENTALS

COURSE TITLE: Economics Fundamentals

COURSE NUMBER: ECON 101

PREREQUISITES: Demonstrated competency through appropriate assessment or earning a grade of "C" or better in ENGL 093 Introduction to College Writing and ENGL 083 Reading Strategies for College or ENGL 095 Integrated Reading and Writing and MATH 023 Essentials

of Algebra I or MATH 080 Mathematics Principles with Algebra

SCHOOL: Liberal Arts and Sciences

PROGRAM: Liberal Arts CREDIT HOURS: 3

CONTACT HOURS: Lecture: 3

DATE OF LAST REVISION: Spring, 2014

EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS REVISION: Fall, 2014

CATALOG DESCRIPTION: Provides a survey of microeconomics, macroeconomics, international economics, comparative economic systems, historical development of economic thought, and their application to current economic problems. An introductory course intended primarily for students who need only one semester of economics.

MAJOR COURSE LEARNING OBJECTIVES: Upon successful completion of this course the student will be expected to:

- 1. Apply the concepts of scarcity, choice, opportunity costs, and marginal analysis.
- 2. Compare and contrast economic systems.
- 3. Demonstrate how supply and demand interacts to determine market prices.
- 4. Demonstrate how the market price system acts as a resource allocation mechanism.
- 5. Apply the concept of elasticity.
- 6. Discuss the importance of competition and market successes and failures.
- 7. Describe measures of economic activity such as GDP (gross domestic product) and their limitations.
- 8. Describe the forces that determine aggregate economic activity and explore the trade-offs between unemployment, inflation and economic growth.
- 9. Discuss economic stabilization policies: fiscal and monetary policies.
- 10. Describe the economic interdependencies of nations.

COURSE CONTENT: Topical areas of study include –

Science of choices Basic principles of microeconomics

Opportunity cost Historical development

Supply and demand Basic principles of macroeconomics

Elasticity Cost benefit analysis
Impact of inflation Comparative advantage

Trade restrictions Aggregate supply Keynesian analysis Aggregrate demand Comparative economic systems Fiscal policy and monetary policy

Monetary theory

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