

Economics 2023-24 Course Syllabus - John Pehar

The Study of Economics helps us become better decision makers.

Intro to Economics – Why is Economics important? - Creating a better standard of living.

Expectations of students – Copy available on my homepage.

Stock Project – Semester investment project and simulated stock investment portfolio

Information available on my homepage.

Economic sections to be discussed, but not limited to:

- What is Economics, Economic Fundamentals
- How Markets Work
 - Demand and Supply
 - Market Equilibrium and Prices
 - Market Structures and Failures
- Institutions and Organizations
 - Money and Banking
 - Entrepreneurs and Business
 - Human Capital and Labor Markets
- Economics of the Public Sector
 - Government and the Economy
 - Taxes and Taxation
- Managing the Economy
 - Measuring – GDP and CPI
- Monetary Policy v. Fiscal Policy – Macroeconomics
 - The Fed and Monetary Policy
 - Congress and Fiscal Policy
- Economic Instability and Achieving Stability – Macroeconomics
 - The Great Recession 2008
 - Housing Bubble, WHY?
 - Stabilization of Markets
 - Unemployment trends (Where are the jobs?)
- Entrepreneur Journey and the journal
- Why is establishing good personal credit important?
 - Credit Reporting/FICO
 - Reasons why you need good credit
 - Credit Cards – The do's and don'ts; The Necessary Evil of Credit Cards
 - Establishing Credit for a better future

Achieving understanding through the use of:

- Outlines and Discussion notes
- Miscellaneous writing assignments
- Economics text book and chapters

Extra Credit – Instructions on my homepage