

# Economics

## Course Overview and Syllabus

---

**Course Number:** SS3314MI

**Grade level:** 9–12

**Prerequisite Courses:** None

**Credits:** 0.5

### Course Description

This semester-long course invites students to broaden their understanding of how economic concepts—including microeconomic and macroeconomic theory, the characteristics of mixed-market economies, the role of government in a free-enterprise system and the global economy, and personal finance strategies—apply to their everyday lives. Throughout the course, students apply critical thinking skills while making practical economic choices. Students also master literacy skills through rigorous reading and writing activities. Students analyze data and write routinely and responsively in tasks and assignments that are based on scenarios, texts, activities, and examples. In a more extensive, process-based writing lesson, students write a full-length argumentative essay.

### Course Objectives

Throughout the course, you will meet the following goals:

- Investigate fundamental economic principles, and explore their impact on economic choices.
- Examine the effects of economic regulations and limitations established by governments.
- Discover how your economic choices are tied to the global economy.
- Apply economic concepts and theories to everyday financial decisions.
- Read complex texts at grade level.
- Increase academic and domain-specific vocabulary.
- Engage in routine writing in response to texts, concepts, and scenarios.
- Use research skills to access, interpret, and apply information from sources you have gathered.

### Student Expectations

This course requires the same level of commitment from you as a traditional classroom course. Throughout the course, you are expected to spend approximately 5–7 hours per week online on:

- Interactive lessons that include a mixture of instructional videos and tasks
- Assignments in which you apply and extend learning
- Assessments, including quizzes, tests, and cumulative exams

## Communication

Your teacher will communicate with you regularly through discussions, e-mail, chat, and system announcements. You will also communicate with classmates, either via online tools or face to face, as you collaborate on projects, ask and answer questions in your peer group, and develop your speaking and listening skills.

## Grading Policy

You will be graded on the work you do online and the work you submit electronically to your teacher. The weighting for each category of graded activity is listed below.

Grading Category	Weight
Quiz	20%
Test	30%
Exam	20%
Essay	10%
Assignment	10%
Additional	0%
Project	10%

## Scope and Sequence

When you log into Edgenuity, you can view the entire course map—an interactive scope and sequence of all topics you will study. The units of study are summarized below:

**Unit 1:** Introduction to Economics

**Unit 2:** Microeconomics

**Unit 3:** Macroeconomics

**Unit 4:** Business and Government

**Unit 5:** The Global Economy

**Unit 6:** Personal Finance