

ECNS Online Courses

Course Descriptions

ECNS 101IS-801. Economic Way of Thinking 3 Credits. (3 Lec). F,S

Introduces important tools and methods of economics, including the core reasoning that underlies decision-making, analytical thinking and problem solving, demand and supply analysis, and indicators of economic performance. Emphasis is on application of the tools of economics to current issues of social and personal importance.

ECNS 202-801. Principles of Macroeconomics. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) S

PREREQUISITE: ECNS 101. COREQUISITE: M 121. Topics include inflation, unemployment, interest rates, money, and the impact of government surpluses or deficits. Government policies of growth, employment, income distribution, and international trade are examined.

ECNS 204IS-801. Microeconomics. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) S

PREREQUISITE: ECNS 101, M 121. Consumer theory and the theory of the firm are utilized to show how independent decisions by consumers and firms interact in markets to determine the price and output of goods and services.

Meeting Place and Times

Online

Instructor(s):

ECNS 101IS-801 & ECNS 202-801

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Holly Fretwell is an instructor Department of Agricultural Economics and Economics at Montana State University where she has taught introductory micro and macroeconomics, intermediate microeconomic theory, natural resource economics, and environmental economics. She works with the Foundation for Teaching Economics and Montana Council on Economic Education giving workshops for high school teachers and writing economic curriculum. Fretwell is also a Research Fellow at the Property and Environment Research Center (PERC) where she explores market solutions to environmental problems.

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Monique Dutkowsky is an instructor in the Department of Agricultural Economics and Economics at Montana State University. She obtained her B.S. in Economics with a minor in Political Science at Clemson University and her M.S. in Economics at Montana State University. After graduation Monique has worked at CH Robinson as an Account Manager and Consultant to companies including Pepsi Cola and Waldos. Monique is a freelance consultant for Dutkowsky Consulting.

Time Commitment

8-10 hours per week. If you are unfamiliar with this field of study and/or method of delivery you may require more time.

Computer Requirements

- Computer running Windows XP Service Pack 3 or newer or Mac OS X.5 (Leopard) or higher
- Internet access
- You must have at least Microsoft Word 97-2003 compatible word processing software, with a preference for Microsoft Word 2007. If you have an Apple computer you must have Microsoft compatible word processing software and be able to save documents in a compatible file to upload for assignments
- Reliable access to a scanner for submitting exams and problem sets.

Other Requirements

- A basic four function calculator with no memory or graphing capabilities and no access to the internet; no cell phones please.
- Access to a qualified proctor. Proctor situation must be verified with the course instructor within the first week of semester. Note that the instructor or the MSU testing center are qualified proctors.