

ECONOMICS [Civics (fall) must be taken with Economics (spring)]

Grades: 9-12

Course Description:

This is a one semester (spring) course which will focus on the foundations of our American economy. A distinctly biblical world view will be emphasized as well as the Christian's stewardship, responsibility and role within our current economic climate. Each class will include (but will not be limited to) a short teacher/guest/video/audio lecture, student discussion and reporting on reading assignments as well as current events. If time and resources allow, each student will have the opportunity to research and "invest" in the stock market. Some time will be given to researching the current global economy and America's place in it. The ultimate goal of this class is to challenge the home educated economic student with "lively" discussion and to provide economic minded opportunities to "learn by doing!"

STUDENT REQUIREMENTS:

- Reading assignments from:
The Ultimate Book of Economic Principles for the Ultimate Teenager by Fred Witzig
Economics in One Lesson by Henry Hazlitt
An Age of Extremes by Joy Hakim
Selections from: Whatever Happened to Penny Candy? By Richard J. Maybury, A Bluestocking Guide to Economics by Jane A. Williams, and "The Economist" magazine and various other resources.
- Worksheets from various sources
- Various "hands on" activities

COURSE GRADING STANDARD:

50% weekly quizzes from reading assignments
20% 2-page comparative economics essay
20% completion of activities
10% class participation

Cost per semester: \$100

Material/Admin fee per semester: \$15

Min. number of students: 8

Max. number of students: 20

Text: The Ultimate Guide to Economic Principle for the Ultimate Teenager by Fred Witzig (\$17 @ Farm and Country)

Economics in One Lesson by Henry Hazlitt (\$10 @ Amazon)

A History of US: An Age of Extremes Bk. 8, by Joy Hakim (\$14 @ Amazon)

Plus, student must have Internet access for the duration of the Course

This is a single semester course and is worth 5 units. A grade will be issued by the instructor at the end of the semester.

Instructor: Professor Christopher C. Lash

Prof. Lash has taught American History at the college level for 16 years. In all that time he has yearned to teach from a Christian worldview. By God's grace, he has been a believer in Christ for 28 years. Prior to being saved, he was an intellectual using humanistic reason in an attempt to refute the claims of Christ. His professional career has been to witness to colleagues and students who are the very same type of person he was prior to being saved. We know that no one can be reasoned into the kingdom of God. However, it is the believer's duty to shine the light of the Gospel into the economic arena. Not to persuade people to join a political party, become pro-life, or clean up their language,(as important as these things are) but to show them Jesus Christ. His favorite chapter and verse in the Bible is Matthew 5:16 "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

Besides teaching and studying history Prof. Lash's favorite past-time is travel.

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Economics Registration Form

The cost of this course involves a COURSE Fee, MATERIAL/ADMIN. Fee and a Co-op Fee. Checks for all three must be submitted with this registration form. Only the course fee can be paid in installments.

1. **Payment of COURSE Fee: MAKE CHECK(S) PAYABLE TO CHRISTOPHER LASH. ALL CHECKS DUE AT TIME OF REGISTRATION.**
1 check in the amount of \$100 due at time of registration, OR
2 checks in the amount of \$50 (1st check with registration date and 2nd check dated 1/1/11), OR

2. **Payment of MATERIAL/ADMIN Fees: MAKE CHECK(S) PAYABLE TO CASH.**
1 check in the amount of \$15 due at time of registration

3. **Payment of CO-OP Fees: MAKE CHECK(S) PAYABLE TO CASH.**
1 check in the amount of \$16 due at time of registration, OR
2 checks in the amount of \$8 (1st check with registration date and 2nd check dated 1/1/11).

Tear off and return bottom form with ALL PAYMENT CHECKS mentioned above, plus SASE to:

Susan Todd, 28330 Gibraltar Lane, Castaic, CA 91384
Questions? Email Susan at SusanTodd@mail.com

REGISTRATION DATES: 6/1/10 – 6/15/10 AND 8/27/10 – 8/31/10

ECONOMICS REGISTRATION

Parent Name _____ Phone No. _____

Email: _____@_____

Student Name(s): _____ Grade: _____

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