



## Student Learning Outcomes for ECON 1

*Principles of Macroeconomics*

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### Team Members:

**Team Leader:**

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Judy West

**Additional Notes:**

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### Outcomes:

**Outcome 1 Phase I: Statement**

Demonstrate an understanding of economic scarcity, and its role in the invention of economic science

**Outcome 1 Phase II: Assessment Strategy Used:**

Assessment Quarter: Fall 2010

Assessors: Ravjeet Singh, Ravjeet Singh Judy West

Assessment Tools: *No tools assigned.*

Sections being assessed: 005, 006, 010

**Outcome 1 Phase III: Reflect & Enhance**

**Number of people involved in Phase III:** 2

**Changes:**

This is the first assessment for this course. So changes will be made after the reflections.

**Methods:**

Multiple Choice questions and short answer/questions were used to assess the various SLO's.

**Findings and Conclusions:**

In all the sections assessed for ECON1, Students performance in meeting SLO1 was outstanding and surpassed expectations.

**Enhancement (Planned Actions)****Part I:**

Plan is to slightly modify the course evaluation procedure to make it more smooth.

**Part II:**

Emphasize basic skills and workshops like how to take tests with less stress. How to avoid careless mistakes on multiple choice questions

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**Outcome 2 Phase I: Statement**

Demonstrate a basic understanding of the workings of the US Economy and its institutions in a Global Context.

**Outcome 2 Phase II: Assessment Strategy Used:**

Assessment Quarter: Fall 2010

Assessors: Ravjeet Singh, Ravjeet Singh Judy West

Assessment Tools: *No tools assigned.*

Sections being assessed: 005, 006, 010

**Outcome 2 Phase III: Reflect & Enhance**

**Number of people involved in Phase III:** 2

**Changes:**

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**Methods:**

Multiple Choice questions and short answer/questions were used to assess the various SLO's.

**Findings and Conclusions:**

75% -90% of the students met the success criterion for this SLO's. However, there were a few outliers in 1 section. The discussion revealed that some questions were misinterpreted and some careless mistakes were also made in reading the questions. Revisit the few questions in one specific assignment/exam that were prone to misinterpretation by some students.

**Enhancement (Planned Actions)****Part I:**

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**Outcome 3 Phase I: Statement**

Critique existing economic theories about Business Cycles in Light of historical and current economic perspectives

**Outcome 3 Phase II: Assessment Strategy Used:**

Assessment Quarter: Fall 2010

Assessors: Ravjeet Singh, Ravjeet Singh Judy West

Assessment Tools: *No tools assigned.*

Sections being assessed: 005, 006, 010

**Outcome 3 Phase III: Reflect & Enhance**

**Number of people involved in Phase III:** 2

**Changes:**

This is the first assessment for this course. So changes will be made after the reflections.

**Methods:**

Multiple Choice questions and short answer/questions were used to assess the various SLO's.

**Findings and Conclusions:**

SLO3: 80% or better met this criterion successfully.

**Enhancement (Planned Actions)****Part I:**

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**Part II:**

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**Outcome 4 Phase I: Statement**

Evaluate fiscal and monetary policy responses to macroeconomic instabilities such as unemployment, inflation and economic growth.

**Outcome 4 Phase II: Assessment Strategy Used:**

Assessment Quarter: Fall 2010

Assessors: Ravjeet Singh Judy West

Assessment Tools: *No tools assigned.*

Sections being assessed: 005, 006, 010

**Outcome 4 Phase III: Reflect & Enhance**

**Number of people involved in Phase III:** 2

**Changes:**

This is the first assessment for this course. So changes will be made after the reflections.

**Methods:**

Multiple Choice questions and short answer/questions were used to assess the various SLO's.

**Findings and Conclusions:**

SLO4: There were 2 major components of this SLO. The monetary policy component was addressed quite successfully. However, within fiscal policy, a few in depth questions were not very well analyzed by one section. This area needs improvement.

**Enhancement (Planned Actions)****Part I:**

For addressing the fiscal policy component in depth concern, more practice and time will be devoted through online component of the course.

**Part II:**

Emphasize basic skills and workshops like how to take tests with less stress. How to avoid careless mistakes on multiple choice questions

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