# ECON301

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## **Course Summary**

Course: ECON301 Title: Comparative Economics

Length of Course: 8

Prerequisites: N/A Credit Hours: 3

## **Description**

**Course Description:** This course analyzes the main economic systems operating today and their effect on international trade policies. Students will compares economic internal growth in centrally planned, mixed, and capitalist economics. Analyzes the performance of various economic systems in today's global economy and discusses important problems and issues of economic transition. Compares the basic theories of economic systems and various models of economic transition

### **Course Scope:**

ECON301, Comparative Economics, will provide you with a solid foundation and understanding and definition of economic systems theory, transition economies and classification, institutions, systems and economic outcomes.

# **Objectives**

## **Outline**

### Week 1: Economic Systems:

Learning Outcomes

Analyze the main economic systems.

## Week 2: Economic Systems in Theory:

**Learning Outcomes** 

Analyze the main economic systems. Discuss the basic theories of economic systems.

### Week 3: Economies in Transition in Practice

Learning Outcomes

## Week 4: Planned Socialism: Why the Soviet economy

**Learning Outcomes** 

Analyze performance of main economic systems.

### Week 5: Market Socialism:

**Learning Outcomes** 

Analyze performance of main economic systems.

## Week 6: Capitalism and the EU style.

**Learning Outcomes** 

Compare and contrast the capitalist economies.

## Week 7: Capitalism: The U.S. and Government

**Learning Outcomes** 

Compare and contrast the capitalist economies.

### Week 8: None

**Learning Outcomes** 

## **Evaluation**

## **Grading:**

| Name    | Grade % |
|---------|---------|
| Forum   | 35.00 % |
| Forum 1 | 4.38 %  |
| Forum 2 | 4.38 %  |
| Forum 3 | 4.38 %  |
| Forum 4 | 4.38 %  |
| Forum 5 | 4.38 %  |

| Forum 6                           | 4.38 %  |
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| Forum 7                           | 4.38 %  |
| Forum 8                           | 4.38 %  |
| Plagiarism                        | 5.00 %  |
| Plagiarism Quiz Post              | 5.00 %  |
| Weekly Assignment                 | 35.00 % |
| Week 1 Assignment                 | 5.00 %  |
| Week 2 Assignment                 | 5.00 %  |
| Week 3 Assignment                 | 5.00 %  |
| Week 4 Assignment                 | 5.00 %  |
| Week 5 Assignment                 | 5.00 %  |
| Week 6 Assignment                 | 5.00 %  |
| Week 7 Assignment                 | 5.00 %  |
| Final Project                     | 25.00 % |
| Week 8 Assignment - Final Project | 25.00 % |

## **Materials**

**Book Title:** Various resources from the APUS Library are used. Please visit

http://apus.libguides.com/er.php to locate the course eReserve.

Author: N/A

Publication Info: N/A

ISBN: N/A

## **Course Guidelines**

## **Citation and Reference Style**

- Students will follow APA format as the sole citation and reference style used in written assignments submitted as part of coursework to the School of Business.
- Please note that no formal citation style is required on forum assignments in the School of Business—only attribution of sources (please see details regarding forum communication below).

## **Tutoring**

<u>Tutor.com</u> offers online homework help and learning resources by connecting students to certified
tutors for one-on-one help. AMU and APU students are eligible for 10 free hours of tutoring provided by
APUS. Tutors are available 24/7 unless otherwise noted. Tutor.com also has a SkillCenter Resource
Library offering educational resources, worksheets, videos, websites and career help. Accessing these
resources does not count against tutoring hours and is also available 24/7. Please visit the APUS
Library and search for 'Tutor' to create an account.

### **Late Assignments**

Students are expected to submit classroom assignments by the posted due date and to complete the
course according to the published class schedule. The due date for each assignment is listed under
each assignment.

- Generally speaking, if arrangements are not made in advance, a late penalty of 10% will be assessed
  for any assignment submitted 1-7 days past the due date. Assignments will not be accepted after the
  7th day. No work will be accepted past the final day of class, unless prior arraignments have been
  made with the instructor.
- As a working adult, your time is limited and often out of your control. Faculty may be more flexible if they know ahead of time of any potential late assignments.

#### Turn It In

• Faculty may require assignments be submitted to Turnitin.com. Turnitin.com will analyze an assignment submission and report a similarity score. Your assignment submission is automatically processed through the assignments area of the course when you submit your work.

### **Academic Dishonesty**

Academic Dishonesty incorporates more than plagiarism, which is using the work of others without
citation. Academic dishonesty includes any use of content purchased or retrieved from web services
such as CourseHero.com or Scribd. Additionally, allowing your work to be placed on such web
services is academic dishonesty, as it is enabling the dishonesty of others. The copy and pasting of
content from any web page, without citation as a direct quote, is academic dishonesty. When in doubt,
do not copy/paste, and always cite.

#### **Submission Guidelines**

- Some assignments may have very specific requirements for formatting (such as font, margins, etc) and submission file type (such as .docx, .pdf, etc). See the assignment instructions for details. In general, standard file types such as those associated with Microsoft Office are preferred, unless otherwise specified.
- It is the student's responsibility to ensure the all submitted work can be accessed and opened by the instructor.

#### **Disclaimer Statement**

• Course content may vary from the outline to meet the needs of a particular group or class.

### Communicating on the Forum

- Forums are the heart of the interaction in this course. The more engaged and lively the exchanges, the more interesting and fun the course will be. Only substantive comments will receive credit. Although there is a final posting day/time after which the instructor will grade and provide feedback, it is not sufficient to wait until the last day to contribute your comments/questions on the forum. The purpose of the forums is to actively participate in an on-going discussion about the assigned content.
- "Substantive" means comments that contribute something new and important to the discussion. Thus a
  message that simply says "I agree" is not substantive. A substantive comment contributes a new idea
  or perspective, a good follow-up question to a point made, offers a response to a question, provides an
  example or illustration of a key point, points out an inconsistency in an argument, etc.
- As a class, if we run into conflicting view points, we must respect each individual's own opinion. Hateful
  and hurtful comments towards other individuals, students, groups, peoples, and/or societies will not be
  tolerated.
- Students must post a response to the weekly forums prompt and post the required number of replies to
  other students refer to the grading rubric and/or forum instructions for specific expectations on
  number of replies and word count requirements.
- The main response to the forum need to be provided mid-week refer to the grading rubric and/or forum instructions for specific expectations. Late main response posts to a forum will not be accepted without prior instructor approval.
- Replies must be posted in the week due and replies after the end of the each week will not be graded.

#### **Quizzes and Exams**

Quizzes and exams may consist of true/false, multiple choice, and short essay questions. Each
quiz/exam is accessible only once. Once a quiz/exam is accessed, you will not be able to access it
again if you disconnect. Therefore, allocate time to complete your quiz. Weekly quizzes must be
submitted by midnight Eastern Time, Day 7 of the assigned week. Late quizzes or exams will not be
accepted without prior instructor approval.

# **University Policies**

#### Student Handbook

- Drop/Withdrawal policy
- Extension Requests
- Academic Probation
- Appeals
- Disability Accommodations

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