ECP: Economic Problems And Policy Courses

Courses

ECP 3301  Principles of Environmental Economics
3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)
A first course in economics that provides students with the fundamentals of microeconomics and macroeconomics with a structured focus on environmental and natural resource issues. The principles of economics are developed using examples and cases that are directed at environmental policy issues and natural resource decision making. Available to non-business majors only. Offered Fall Semester only.

ECP 3530  Health Economic Policy
3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)
Prerequisite: ECO 2023
The purpose of this course is to develop/strengthen the student’s ability to use economic concepts and theories to analyze health care issues and to inform decision making and policy development. The provision and production of health care have different characteristics and incentives from other consumer goods. We will cover a number of topics including aspects of the US health care market, health care in other countries, health care reform, health care policies as well as discussing some basic economic evaluation techniques.

ECP 4302  Environmental Economics and Policy
3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)
Prerequisite: (ECO 2013 AND ECO 2023) OR ECO 3003
Involves the student in the study of a broad range of environmental problems and the appropriate analysis of policy responses. Specific environmental issues include declining urban air quality, global warming, the effect of development on water systems and contamination from waste disposal systems. Traditional environmental regulations and policies are analyzed and contrasted with current, cutting-edge policies aimed at improving the environment.

ECP 4314  Natural Resources Economics
3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)
Prerequisite: ECO 2023
The impact of human activity on the natural world raises a myriad of issues for society. Efficient management of our natural resources requires understanding of both economic and physical factors. Decisions on resource use affect everyone, with impacts that may come immediately or in the future. This course uses economic tools to analyze those decisions and the resulting impacts. Methods developed in the first part of the course are used to examine applied problems in selected areas such as mineral extraction, energy, forestry, fisheries, water, agriculture, outdoor recreation, wildlife management, and biodiversity.

ECP 4413  Industrial Economics
3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)
Prerequisite: ECO 2023
Covers economic aspects of the behavior of firms in the United States including degree of concentration, price discrimination, competitive practices, strategic behavior, and regulated industries. The material covered will help students to understand how firms can continue to maintain high profits, how competition might lead to concentration, and how the government serves as a regulator in the economy. Credit may not be received in both ECP 4413 and ECP 4403.

ECP 4613  Urban and Regional Economic Development
3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)
Prerequisite: (ECO 2013 AND ECO 2023) OR ECO 3003
Contemporary urban and regional issues such as crowding, congestion, pollution and crime have long been the subject of political, moral and social debate. In order to understand and work towards solutions to these problems a command of economic theory and its relevant applications is essential. Takes simple economic principles and applies them to these pressing social issues including those found in the Gulf Coast area of Northwest Florida. In each case, various alternative solutions are discussed in the context of scarcity of resources, a fundamental principle of economics.

ECP 4905  Directed Study
1-12 sh (may be repeated indefinitely for credit)

ECP 5905  Directed Study
1-12 sh (may be repeated indefinitely for credit)

ECP 6705  Advanced Managerial Economics
3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)
Concepts of competition as they relate to business management policies and practices; profit goals and measurement problems; multiple product policy; demand analysis; cost concepts; pricing problems; case studies. Contains a portfolio project.

ECP 6905  Directed Study
1-12 sh (may be repeated indefinitely for credit)