



ONLINE COURSE INFORMATION

Fall 2023 Semester

COURSE: ECON 251 L2

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Principles of Macroeconomics

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There are many benefits of online courses at MCCC:

- Less restrictive scheduling
- Convenience
- Intensive self-study
- Course materials are accessible 24 hours a day 7 days a week

Some students struggle in an online format while other students excel. Students who excel in an online format are:

- Highly self-motivated
- Have strong computer skills
- Possess good time management skills
- Know how to study independently
- Possess good communication skills

Online classes at MCCC are **NOT self-paced**. Instruction is delivered in an entirely web-based format. Students must complete exams, assignments, etc. by specified due dates. Some exams and assignments may be required to be completed at an authorized location as established by the instructor.

When taking an online class students are responsible for:

- A reliable computer with Internet access and Microsoft Word; course specific software will be described below
- Knowing how to email attachments
- Maintaining his or her own computer and Internet connection; technical issues are NOT acceptable excuses for not keeping up with due dates
- Having access to a printer if needed for personal use of online materials

It is the student's responsibility to log into Brightspace multiple times each week to keep up with communication, assignments and other coursework.

Brightspace

Online courses use Brightspace course management system as the means of communication between the students and the instructor.

It is the student's responsibility to be able to log into Brightspace and maintain his or her computer setup to work properly with Brightspace.

The Brightspace Login can be found on the College's webpage, www.monroeccc.edu.

Brightspace courses are made available to students on the day the course begins.

Please see the Start Date below.

MCCC Student Email

It is essential that online students use their MCCC student email account. This will be the primary means of email communication between you and your instructor. For more information about activating your MCCC student email account, visit the college's webpage at www.monroeccc.edu.

NEED HELP?

BRIGHTSPACE HELP DESK: 734.384.4328
or elarning@monroeccc.edu

COLLEGE EMAIL: 734-384-4328

WEBPAL: 734-384-4333

COURSE DESCRIPTION	<p>This course is a survey of the economic system, including ideas relating to production, national income, national growth, money and banking, markets and prices and the distribution of income. This is a macro-economics course designed for both the student who needs one semester in economics and the student who will take further courses in the field.</p> <p>The Course Outcome Summary can be found at https://www.monroeccc.edu/course-outcomes.</p>
COURSE BEGINS	Wednesday, August 23, 2023
COURSE ENDS	Monday, December 11, 2023
REGISTRATION PROCESS	<p>Students must register for the course through the College's regular registration process.</p> <p>If you are a first-time online student at MCCC you must complete an online orientation course (ONL-001). You will be automatically enrolled into the online orientation course, which will provide you with critical information on the technical, study, reading and writing skills necessary to be a successful online student. This course will be listed in your MyCourses module in Brightspace and there will be 4 modules to complete. Please note that all four modules will NOT be visible when you first login, but will become visible once you complete the requirements for each module. Please complete FL2023-ONL-001-L1 by August 21, 2023. Failure to complete the online orientation by the above date may result in <u>de-registration from your Fall 2023 online course</u>.</p>
EXAMS OR ASSIGNMENTS	<p>16 quizzes (1 quiz per week)</p> <p>16 discussion forums (1 post per week-multiple posts will count towards extra credit for finalizing a student's overall grade)</p> <p>1 final exam consisting of 40 multiple choice questions and 2 short answers (questions will involve drawing supply/demand curve scenarios)</p>
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: EXAMS OR ASSIGNMENTS	<p>Some online classes require students to take exams at authorized, proctored locations. Test proctoring centers are authorized testing locations where a staff person administers a test or assignment. If students are not able to arrange transportation to MCCC's main campus for testing, a proctored test site must be arranged. Students near the MCCC campus can take the test in the Testing Center. Additional information on the Testing Center can be found at https://www.monroeccc.edu/testing. It is the student's responsibility to make arrangements for proctoring with his or her instructor. Students should also be aware that some testing sites have service fees, which are the responsibility of the student.</p> <p>MCCC students completing online quizzes/tests or other assessment activities from home or other remote locations may be required to complete a room scan before the assessment activity. Students seeking an alternative to the pre-assessment room scan should contact MCCC Student</p>

	Services at 734.384.4255 for more information regarding on-campus assessment options.										
COURSE MATERIALS AND TEXTBOOK INFORMATION	<p>All required textbooks and/or access codes are available for purchase by the student at the MCCC/eCampus Online Bookstore website: https://monroeccc.ecampus.com/. Sign in using your MCCC student email and password.</p> <p>All required course supplies are available for purchase by the student at the Campus Store or on the Campus Store website: https://bookstore.monroeccc.edu/</p> <p>Textbook information is available for viewing approximately one month prior to the beginning of the semester at https://monroeccc.ecampus.com/. IMPORTANT: Please ensure you are logging in and using the "Shop by Schedule" option to view and purchase only those materials assigned to your specific course(s).</p> <p>Please contact the MCCC Campus Store for additional information, 734.384.4140.</p>										
COURSE EXPECTATIONS	<p>Assignments must be completed by the assigned due date. Should an issue arise with completing an assignment on time, the student must contact me by email to discuss the circumstance.</p> <p>Students will complete a weekly quiz over each chapter in the textbook. Students will have 30 minutes to answer 20 questions relating to the relevant chapter material.</p> <p>Students are required to participate in a weekly discussion relating to the week’s chapter. I will either have a brief topic to discuss or a question that students must answer. Multiple forum posts are encouraged and will be taken into consideration for the students’ final grade.</p> <p>Quizzes and discussions are open from Sunday at 12:01AM to Saturday at 11:59PM.</p> <p>**Research suggests that students should spend approximately 3 hours outside of regular in-class or online instruction, per credit hour, per week (e.g., 3 credit hour course + 9 hours studying per week outside of class time = 12 total hours per week), studying in order to be successful in their college courses.</p>										
BRIGHTSPACE SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS	<p>Browser Requirements:</p> <p>Desktop Computers</p> <p>Brightspace is supported on the following desktop platforms with the latest browser versions:</p> <table><tr><th>Platform</th><th>Apple® Safari®</th><th>Google® Chrome™</th><th>Microsoft® Edge</th><th>Mozilla® Firefox®</th></tr><tr><td>Apple® Mac OS®</td><td>Yes</td><td>Yes</td><td>Yes</td><td>Yes</td></tr></table>	Platform	Apple® Safari®	Google® Chrome™	Microsoft® Edge	Mozilla® Firefox®	Apple® Mac OS®	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
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Apple® Mac OS®	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes							

Microsoft® Windows®	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
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Tablets and Mobile Devices

Brightspace is supported on the following tablets and mobile devices with the **latest browser versions**:

Platform	Apple® Safari®	Google® Chrome™	Microsoft® Edge	Mozilla® Firefox®
Apple® iOS® for iPhone® and iPad®	Yes	No	No	No
Android™ OS for Android phones and tablets	No	Yes	No	No

For the most current Brightspace operating system and browser requirements, please go to

https://documentation.brightspace.com/EN/brightspace/requirements/all/browser_support.htm?Highlight=browser

and access the Desktop support section.

Software Requirements

Download/access web-based Microsoft Office applications:

1. Go to www.monroeccc.edu and click CURRENT STUDENTS
2. Next click on EMAIL from the list of links on the left, it will open another window
3. Click EMAIL LOGIN, then log in with your entire MCCC email address (e.g., tperson23456@my.monroeccc.edu) and your email password, which initially is your seven-digit student ID#.
4. Click on the **9-dot square** in the upper left corner next to the word "Outlook", some Office Suite icons appear
5. Click on the **Office 365 with an arrow** link, more Office Suite icons appear
6. Finally, click on the **Install Office link** and follow the instructions
**NOTE there are links in the instructions if you have difficulties installing the software. Please use those links to resolve any possible installation issues.*

FYI - You will not be able to download Microsoft Office until the first day of the semester.

Other System Recommendations

- Broadband internet connection
- Webcam

COMPUTER REQUIREMENTS

PC or Mac computer systems with Windows 10 (or Mac equivalent OS) is required.

	<p>Chromebook Use Limitations: Chromebooks cannot be used for courses requiring Microsoft Office applications (e.g., CIS 130, CIS 109, etc.). Additionally, Chromebooks do not work when taking quizzes requiring <u>Respondus Lockdown browser in Brightspace</u>.</p> <p>Mac Computer Use Limitations: The Microsoft Access application does not work on a Mac.</p>
COURSE SPECIFIC SOFTWARE	<p>Access to a computer/internet.</p> <p>No software/computer programs are necessary for this course.</p>
WHERE DO STUDENTS START	<p>Students will review the syllabus on or before August 23, 2023. Chapter 1 reading material/quiz will be due September 2, 2023 at 11:59PM.</p> <p>Students are welcome to email me with any questions or concerns over the weekend of August 19th and I will maintain virtual office hours throughout the semester.</p> <p>I will also post an introduction forum where I will explain the layout of the online course/assignments.</p>
OTHER INFORMATION	<p>Students will receive a welcome email from me on August 18, 2023. I will attach the syllabus in this email and ask that students answer a set of "get-to-know-me" questions.</p> <p>I will also ask that students email me privately at the start of the semester if there are any issues/factors outside of the classroom that may affect their ability to perform in this course. I will work to connect students with the appropriate resources, if necessary.</p>
STUDENT LOGIN INFORMATION	<p>To login to Brightspace, E-mail, or WebPal, go to www.monroeccc.edu and click on CURRENT STUDENTS on the menu bar, then click on Brightspace, email, or WebPal from the links that appear on the left side of the screen.</p> <p>Brightspace - Login to Brightspace using your unique MCCC Webpal username (i.e., the first part of your MCCC email address) and 7-digit student ID number for your password (or whatever password you use for your MCCC college email account). You should be able to access Brightspace 24 hours after registering for a course. Courses are not available in Brightspace until the first day of the semester.</p> <p>E-mail - Your email address is your MyWebPal user name followed by @my.monroeccc.edu (i.e. jsmith12345@my.monroeccc.edu). Your password is your seven-digit student ID number (including leading zeros).</p> <p>WebPal - You need a WebPAL user ID and a password to access WebPAL. Your WebPAL user ID is usually your first initial and last name (i.e. Mary Smith = msmith). To find your user ID, click on "What's My User ID?" on the WebPAL home page. Your initial password is your six-digit birthdate (i.e. January 1, 1970 = 010170). After logging on the first time, WebPAL will ask you to change your password. If you are a returning student and can't remember your password, click on "What's My Password?" on the WebPAL home page, then choose "Reset my password." If you have an e-mail address on file, WebPAL will send you a new password.</p>
TUTORING INFORMATION	<p>Trained student tutors and faculty specialists work with students both individually and in small study groups. Student tutors are students who</p>

are proficient in the courses they tutor and are recommended by their instructors. Faculty specialists have credentials that are similar to those of our faculty, and many have experience teaching at MCCC or other colleges or universities. In general, faculty specialists have years of experience helping students succeed.

Students who utilize tutoring services at MCCC can expect to gain a better understanding of questions and/or concerns they have about their coursework, suggestions for improvement, study strategies, insight into instructor expectations and the understanding of how to link new material with what they already know.

Tutoring is normally provided by appointment. Walk-ins are accepted, but immediate tutoring is often unavailable. To make an appointment on the Main Campus, call the Student Success Center at [\(734\) 384-4167](tel:7343844167) or visit the center in person located in the Student Success Center, Founders Hall, Room F-148. Students can also make an appointment online at <https://tutor.monroeccc.edu/TracWeb40/Default.html>.