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Glassboro State College Senate Curriculum Committee

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Approval Form

Proposal Title: Course title change: Elementary Economics to General Economics
 and listed as General Education offering
 Sponsor(s) Dr. Hitchner and Dept.: Economics Ext. 6014
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Check one: Course Specialization Concentration Minor Achievement Certificate
 Certification Program Major Program Minor Change Title change and
(please name deletion or credit/title/catalog change)
 list as Gen. Ed. Offering

Undergraduate Graduate _____ Credit Hours

<p>Step 1 (Department)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved <u>October 29, 1991</u> Date</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Not Approved</p> <p><u>Ben Hitchner</u> Dr. Ben Hitchner Dept. CC Chairperson</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reviewed <u>April 1, 1991</u> Date</p> <p><u>Ben Hitchner</u> Dr. Ben Hitchner Dept. Chairperson</p>	<p>Step 2 (Receipt)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SCC# <u>91-2-2</u></p> <p>Proposal Received _____ Date</p> <p><u>Joan Rathaway</u> SCC Chairperson</p>	<p>Step 3 (School CC)</p> <p>Reviewed _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Not Approved</p> <p>Comments:</p> <p>_____ School Cur. Comm. Chairperson</p>
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Step 4 (Academic Dean) **Comments:**

Recommend
 Not Recommend
 Conditionally Recommend (see comments)

Reviewed _____ Date _____
Signature, Dean of School _____

Step 5 (SCC)

Open Hearing _____ Date _____ Approved by Senate Curriculum Committee _____ Date _____

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Step 6 (Senate)

Presented to Senate 5/12/92 Date Approved Not Approved

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Notification to Executive Vice-President/Provost 5/24/92 Date Joan Rathaway Signature, SCC Chairperson

Step 7 (Executive V.P./Provost)

Received _____
Date

Approved Yes No

If no, reasons are as follows:

Student credit hours _____

Faculty load hours _____

Equalized credit hours _____

Official copy and approval sheet filed _____
Date

Signature, Executive Vice-President/Provost

Registrar

Approved course description received 24 Aug 92
Date

Hegis Taxonomy and Course Number assigned TITLE Chg.

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Signature, Registrar

24 Aug 92
Date

Notification forwarded:

- Senate Curriculum Committee Chairperson
- Department Chairperson(s)
- Academic Dean(s)
- Registrar
- Sponsor(s)

Rationale for the Title Change Request.

The Department of Economics requests that the title of Elementary Economics, 2204.100, be changed to General Economics and be listed as a General Education offering.

Elementary Economics is the Department's one semester introduction to economics intended for students who do not plan to take additional economics courses. The catalogue description of the course is as follows:

"Focuses on the fundamental ideology, mechanics and development of the economic system. Recommended for kindergarten-primary and general elementary majors."

Although education majors will be welcome to take General Economics, the course description should not imply that the course is only recommended for these majors. A suggested course description change is as follows:

Focuses on the fundamental ideology, mechanics, development, and contemporary state of the American economic system with reference to the global economy. Course is recommended for all students who want only a one semester course in economics.



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December 10, 1991

Dr. Ron Czochoz
Chair
Subcommittee on General Education
C/O Department of Mathematics
Robinson Academic building
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Dear Ron:

In reference to our telephone conversation this morning you will find enclosed 10 copies of the original proposal for Elementary Economics and ten copies of my course syllabus from 1982. The only expected change in the course outline of topics will be to include more reference to the global economy and the problem of third world economic development. These topics can be included with substitutions made from the Theory of the Competitive Firm and The Planned Economy. If you want me to address the committee on these proposed changes, I will be glad to do so. Thank you.

Very Truly,

Ben Hitchner
Chair

ELEMENTARY ECONOMICS
Fall Semester, 1982
Professor Benjamin Hitchner

Purpose of Course

Elementary economics is a one semester introductory course intended for students who will take no other or few other courses in economics. It is a course modelled after general education rather than the training of the specialist. Any one semester introductory course in economics must attempt a balance between macro and micro economics. Microeconomics is the economics of a price, the market, a firm and the industry. Microeconomics considers the theory and overall performance of the economic system. This course attempts a of analytical and institutional economics. Students should be able to identify many examples of the course material from experience.

Course Materials

Textbook: Riddell, Shackelford and Stamos
Economics: A Tool For Understanding Society

Evaluation

Examinations and quizzes establish a fundamental bases for grading. But, classroom participation, reports, and assignments also contribute to grade determination.

Classroom Discussion and Reports

Each student may present an oral report on a selected topic keyed to the course outline and text chapters. Such oral reports should be in length about 15-20 minutes, and reporters should refer to all sources. Oral reports receive positive credit regarding grading. If you are interested in making a report on an economic issue or topic, you should consult Professor Hitchner.

Tentative Course Outline in Text Chapters

Week of

Sept. 2	Introduction
Sept. 7	Introduction to Economics Chapter 2
Sept. 8	Evolution of Economic Systems Chapters 1 and 2
Sept. 15	Economic Thought Chapters 4,5 and 6
Sept. 22	The Free Economy and the Planned Economy Chapters 7 and 8
Sept. 29	Scarcity Part III, Chapter 9

Oct. 6 First Examination
Theory of Markets, Chapter 10

Oct. 13 Supply/Demand Exercises and Elasticities

Oct. 20 Theory of the Competitive Firm
Chapter 11

Oct. 27 Noncompetitive Firms
Chapter 12

Nov. 3 Corporations and Labor
Chapter 13
Second Examination

Nov. 10 Macroeconomic Issues and Problems
Part IV Chapter 14

Nov. 17 Keynesian Economics
Chapters 15 and 16

Nov. 24 Fiscal Policy
Chapter 17

Dec. 1 Economic Role of Money
Chapter 18

Dec. 8 Monetary Policy
Chapter 19

Dec. 15 Economic Growth, Energy and Environment
Chapter 26

Dec. 21 Final Examination

General References

Bryn and Stone	<u>Microeconomics</u>
Dolan, E.	<u>Basic Microeconomics</u>
Guartney and Stroup	<u>Economics Private and Public Choice</u>
Heilbroner, R.	<u>The Economic Problem</u>
Lipsey and Steiner	<u>Economics, 6th ed.</u>
Lindaner, P.	<u>Economics</u>
McConnell	<u>Economics, 8th ed.</u>
Samuelson, P.	<u>Economics, 9-12 ed.</u>

Specific References

Brown, L.	<u>Building A Sustainable Society</u>
Commoner, B.	<u>Poverty of Power</u>
Fusfeld, D.	<u>The Age of the Economist</u>
Glesbrecht, M.	<u>The Evolution of Economic Society</u>
Galbraith, K.	<u>Age of Uncertainty</u>
" " "	<u>Economics of the Public Purpose</u>
Heilbroner, R.	<u>The Making of Economic Society, 5th ed.</u>
" " "	<u>The Worldly Philosophers</u>
Mermelstein, D.	<u>Mainstream Economics and Radical Critiques</u>
Rifkin, J.	<u>Entropy</u>
Schumacher, E.F.	<u>Small is Beautiful</u>
Tarpley and Allvine	<u>The New State of the Economics</u>

Periodicals

The Wall Street Journal
The New York Times
Business Week
Fortune
The U.S. News and World Report