

2011-2012 Online Course Information

Thank you for your recent inquiry about our online Economics classes being offered during 2011-2012 Academic Year. Course descriptions and information about the other programs of Economics *Wisconsin* can be found at their website: <http://www.economicswisconsin.org/>

Note the course start dates and registration deadlines. After the noted deadline, call or e-mail to inquire about course availability (920-424-2440 or watts@uwosh.edu). All courses are 1 graduate credit (through UW Oshkosh), have an Economics course number, and are 6 weeks long.

FALL 2011 SCHEDULE

1. **Money and Banking**; September 19 – October 28, 2011 (registration deadline September 12)
Instructor: Dr. Scott Niederjohn, Lakeland College, niederjohnms@lakeland.edu
This course will examine the role of money and banking in the economy. Topics will include financial markets, banking, the Federal Reserve System, monetary policy and interest rates.

SPRING 2012 SCHEDULE

1. **The Federal Reserve and Economic Policy**; February 6 – March 16 (registration deadline January 30)
Instructor: Dr. Scott Niederjohn, Lakeland College, niederjohnms@lakeland.edu
The Federal Reserve Bank plays an important role in determining economic policy for the United States. This course will focus on how the Fed determines and conducts policy as well as the new and expanded role the Fed is playing in the current economic crisis. We will also spend time discussing the history of the Fed, including its role in the Great Depression.
2. **Economics and Children's Literature**; March 26 – May 11 (registration deadline March 19)
Instructor: Dr. Brian L. Schultz, UW River Falls, brian.l.schultz@uwrf.edu
Elementary level teachers will learn how to introduce their students to economics in a fun and interesting way, by using popular children's stories. This course gives teachers ideas on how to educate their students about basic economic concepts, such as scarcity, opportunity cost, costs and benefits, trade and decision-making. Popular children's stories will provide the foundation for developing an "economic way of thinking." Participants will receive sample lesson plans and be able to develop their own materials to accompany books they are already using in their classrooms.
3. **Economics of Sports**; March 26 – May 11 (registration deadline March 19)
Instructor: Dr. Norm Cloutier, UW Parkside, cloutier@uwp.edu
Sports examples are an excellent way to illustrate economic principles to students. Some of the topics covered in this course include the economics of player salaries, ticket prices and scalping; pricing in the memorabilia market; and public financing of stadiums. The course will cover a number of practical ways you can apply basic economic principles you already know to major league sports. In addition, you will learn economic concepts that may be new to you and your students.

SUMMER 2012 SCHEDULE

1. **Health Care Economics**; June 11 – July 20; registration deadline June 4
Instructor: Dr. David Bashaw, UW Whitewater, bashawd@uww.edu
This course will examine the supply and demand for health care, including the impacts of health insurance. Efficiency in the health care market will be analyzed, including physician behavior, hospital performance and new modes of health care delivery.

Tuition information

2011-2012 graduate credit tuition is \$410 per credit and must be paid in full when registering. Please note that a limited number of scholarships are available through Economics Wisconsin that cut the cost of these classes almost in half!

Tuition Scholarships for Wisconsin Teachers: A limited number of Taylor scholarships are available. These scholarships are for \$200, which cuts the cost of these classes almost in half. They are limited to one per person each semester. See the website of [EconomicsWisconsin](#) for more information. A scholarship form is attached to this e-mail for your convenience.

REGISTRATION

A UWO graduate registration form is attached to this e-mail. Print both pages, fill them out, and mail them, along with a check made payable to UW Oshkosh to: Deirdre Watts, COEHS – UW Oshkosh, 800 Algoma Blvd., Oshkosh, WI 54901

DO NOT MAIL DIRECTLY TO THE GRADUATE OFFICE as this will delay your registration.

QUESTIONS: Call or e-mail Deirdre Watts, (920) 424-2440 or watts@uwosh.edu. Center Website: <http://www.uwosh.edu/coehs/Grants/economics>