

Fall16

Extra Credit (worth eight points)

ECN 202-Principles of Macroeconomics

Due 12/14/16(for class that meets M/W) in class, late submissions will not be accepted.

Due 12/15/16(for class that meets T/Th) in class, late submissions will not be accepted.

Note: this extra credit opportunity is a reward for impeccable attendance (see syllabus for attendance policy). This extra credit does not replace hard work nor does it guarantee a specific grade. Attendance policy holds till the end of the semester.

You are required to write a short paper involving macroeconomic analysis of current macro-economic issues described in a newspaper or magazine article not older than 2015. Often the best method of finding a topic is simply looking through recent issues of *The Economist*, *Newsweek*, or another news magazine, or a newspaper such as *The Wall Street Journal*, *The New York Times*, *The Chicago Tribune*, or the list you received from the librarian. Once you have a particular topic in mind, you will be able to use Internet sources, use the WCC library resources, efficiently to find further information about your topic. *It is especially important that you use *economic analysis, concepts learned in class, from text book* to explain the topic in detail and do not merely *describe* the content of the article!

Your paper must include:

- Title Page: Includes title, name, and date.
- Introduction: This section should explain why the topic is important, why you chose the article and include a brief summary of the article.
- *Macroeconomic Analysis: This section contains your macroeconomic analysis of the article's content. Please analyze the article based on minimum three macroeconomic concepts covered in class.
- Conclusion: This section should contain a brief summary of the topic and your analysis, plus any discussion or comments that you may have on the topic.
- References: At the end, cite all sources used in your analysis including the source of your article, any economics textbook you may have consulted, and any Internet sources.
- The Paper should be at-least 4-5 pages in length (excluding cover page), *you may add reasonably sized diagrams and tables to supplement your paper*. Paper must be *stapled, typed in 12 font size and double-spaced*. APA or MLA format.
- Article: Attach a copy of your article(s) to the paper.

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Suggested macroeconomic topics

2016

1. Social Security solutions to save the fund
2. Increasing minimum wage
3. Immigration reform
4. Cost of crime
5. Analyzing bank regulation in light of the credit and housing market crisis
6. Wars and economy
7. US debt
8. Solutions to a green economy
9. US Federal Reserve and quantitative easing
10. Outsourcing
11. US trade deficit
12. Economic impact of importing oil.
13. Third World sweatshops
14. Impact of unemployment benefits extensions
15. Impact of deficit spending
16. Effect of global warming on the economy
17. Inequality
18. Inflation
19. Affordable Care act
20. Unemployment and transfers
21. Dream Act
22. Cost of education
23. Impact of Ebola on global economy
24. China's economy/debt
25. Why interest rates have remained unchanged
26. Immigration crisis and its impact on economies
27. Impact of immigration on economies (Syrian crisis)