

# Course Expectations Planning Guide

## Social Studies

### 527 AP Macroeconomics

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Please Note: All listed information is intended to provide a general guideline for students in planning their course load. All information provided will vary according to the individual study needs and academic motivation. Events and responsibilities may vary year-to-year.

#### **Time Commitment**

1-2 hours per week

#### **Standard Responsibilities**

AP Macroeconomics is a one semester (18 week) course devoted to the study of economic systems as a whole. The course is only offered in the second semester of the school year. All students taking AP Macroeconomics must have successfully completed the AP Microeconomics course offered in the first semester of the school year. Since all students in the AP Macroeconomics course have already taken AP Microeconomics, the study of basic economic principles and markets is not repeated in this course. Please refer to the syllabus for AP Microeconomics for information on these units. The main areas of concentration for this course include Gross Domestic Product and measures of National Income, inflation, unemployment, money and banking, stabilization policies and the international sector.

This course is taught at the college level and students are expected to have excellent study habits, motivation and participation. Upon successfully completing the semester course, students will be prepared to take the AP Macroeconomics exam and begin their college studies of economics at an advanced level.

#### **Significant Events**

The methods of evaluation and assessment will include Multiple Choice Tests, Free Response Question Tests, Chapter Homework Checks, Projects, Text-based and supplemental videos, and class participation.