ECON 201: Macroeconomics & ECON 202: Microeconomics
Waiver Examinations – Effective August 2011

Who Should Take the Waiver Exams:

Students with transcripted macroeconomics and/or microeconomics courses deemed by our faculty as not equivalent in content to our ECON 201 or 202 courses may choose to take free waiver exams to determine their knowledge of that basic coursework. These exams cover the material in the current ECON 201 and 202 courses at Metropolitan State University. Textbooks for both exams are on reserve at the St. Paul campus library at the Circulation Desk (651-793-1616) on the second floor, filed under “COM Textbooks.” For ECON 201, ask for Macroeconomics: Principles and Policy. For ECON 202, ask for Economics: Principles and Policy. Students may wish to review the material to help decide whether to try either of these waiver exams.

Exam Information:

Emphasis of the exams is on the concepts and tools of macroeconomics and microeconomics. They assess whether or not students understand basic principles and can apply them at the introductory level.

- Each waiver exam may be taken only once.
- Students are required to show their Metropolitan State University ID card before testing.
- Each exam is 2 ½ hours long. Additional time will not be given.
- One hundred multiple choice questions are on each exam.
- These are closed book exams, with no notes or additional paper allowed.
- Only nonprogrammable calculators are allowed. They may not be musical, tape or plug-in.
- Each student must use his/her own calculator. No calculators or batteries will be provided.
- Exam results will be emailed to official student email accounts, and to advisors, within two weeks after the exam.
- Students who pass an exam (70% minimum score) meet the specific course requirement, but no credit is earned.
- Students who do not pass a waiver exam may not take the independent study version of the course. Registration must be for either the classroom or online versions of the course.

Scheduling Waiver Exams:

ECON Waiver exams are offered at the Minneapolis and St Paul campuses. For information, go to http://www.metrostate.edu/msweb/resources/academic_ss/cae/testing_center/index.html

Be prepared to leave the following information if you get voicemail when calling to sign up:
- Specify that you want a waiver exam for ECON 201: Macroeconomics or ECON 202: Microeconomics
- Date and time you wish to take the exam (must start no later than 2 ½ hours before testing center closing time)
- Clearly state your student ID number and name (spell your last name)
- Daytime phone number

Do not contact the Economics Curriculum Unit to schedule a waiver exam. All waiver exams are scheduled with the Academic Testing Center (651-793-1460).