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Economics Online Tuition

Pre-June 2021

Students have the opportunity to study in real time and as part of a group in these live, interactive sessions. Delivered by an experience tutor, this 20 hour tuition series will guide students in a systematic, exam focussed way, through key topics and challenging areas.

Students will be able to contribute to discussion and collaborate with others, with teaching based on a number of activities to test understanding.

The tuition sessions are a supplement to the student's own examination preparation; **students are required to have read and studied the course text in full, prior to registering.**

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Registration Information

FEE: £350

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Thursday, 11th March 2021

START DATE:	Saturday, 20 th March 2021	COURSE:	Economics
SERIES DURATION:	4 weeks 8 sessions	PROVISION:	Tuition
SESSIONS 1 - 3:	10:00 AM (UK Time)	SERIES:	Pre-June 2021
SESSIONS 4 – 8:	11:00AM (UK Time)	TUTOR:	Akeem Rahaman
SESSION DURATION:	150 mins	PARTNER:	SBCS Global Learning
CONTACT TIME:	20 hours		Institute Ltd

ECONOMICS EXAMINATION DATE: Tuesday, 8th June 2021

The Online tuition sessions are delivered at scheduled times (page 4), through a live virtual classroom. Each session is recorded and these recordings are available to registered students until the following major examination diet. Registered students also have access to a dedicated forum which provides extra resources, such as contact with the tutor and fellow students.

Designed to support students with their studies, **students are required to have read and studied the course text in full, prior to registering.**

The Online series is delivered through Adobe Connect. Please read the following carefully to ensure you have all the technical requirements required to participate effectively in the Online sessions.

EACH SESSION INCLUDES:

- Tutor presentations
- Question and answer sessions
- Examination examples
- Student interaction
- Individual work
- Solutions
- General advice on examination preparation and technique

USEFUL LINKS

<https://students.ebsglobal.net/>



Akeem Rahaman

SBCS Global Learning Institute Ltd, Trinidad

Akeem is a highly qualified economist with an impressive academic record. He is the recipient of a number of academic awards and scholarships and has University teaching and curriculum development experience. Akeem currently works as an Economist in Research and Policy for a major bank.

TEACHES: Economics, Quantitative Methods

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Master of Econometrics and Economics
- MSc. Economics (Distinction)
- BSc. (Hons) Economics

EBS APPROVED TUTOR: 2014

EBS ONLINE TUTOR: 2015

Thank you, Akeem, for sharing your knowledge and helping me to gain greater insight into Economics so I can be better prepared when I write the exam.

Timetable

Session	Session Topic	Date	Time (UK)
Session 1	Microeconomics I	Saturday, 20 th March 2021	10:00 – 12:45
Session 2	Microeconomics II	Sunday, 21 st March 2021	10:00 – 12:30
Session 3	Microeconomics III	Saturday, 27 th March 2021	10:00 – 12:30
Session 4	Microeconomics IV	Sunday, 28 th March 2021	11:00 – 13:30
Session 5	Macroeconomics I	Saturday, 3 rd April 2021	11:00 – 13:30
Session 6	Macroeconomics II	Sunday, 4 th April 2021	11:00 – 13:30
Session 7	Macroeconomics II	Saturday, 10 th April 2021	11:00 – 13:30
Session 8	Macroeconomics IV	Sunday, 11 th April 2021	11:00 – 13:30

IMPORTANT

All of the timings for the sessions are given in **UK time**, so please convert to the local time in your location for the specified date.

UK clocks go forward by 1 hour at 02:00 on Sunday, 28th March 2021. The start times of the sessions may change for you depending on your time zone and whether your location observes Daylight Saving Time (DST).

USEFUL LINKS

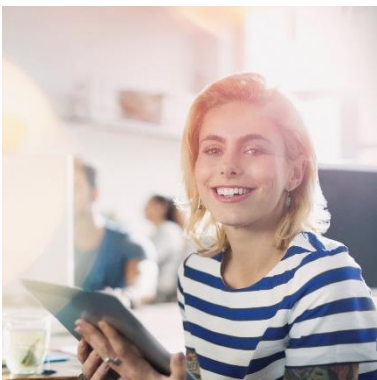
<http://www.worldtimebuddy.com/>

Login & Adobe Information

Online Tuition and Revision sessions are delivered through Adobe Connect. Each session is supported by a Facilitator whose role it is to support the students and ensure the sessions run smoothly on the technical side.

Please read the following instructions carefully to ensure you meet all the requirements to be able to participate, and fully benefit, from the Online experience.

Following these steps will ensure that the session will run smoothly for you, your fellow students, and the tutor.



Prerequisites

- One of the following:
 - PC (preferred)
 - Laptop (preferred)
 - Mobile device with the most recent Adobe Connect app installed
 - All of the following:
 - USB headset with microphone (for PC/Laptop)
 - Strong Internet Connection
 - Compatible browser
 - Internet explorer
 - Mozilla Firefox
 - Apple Safari
 - Passed the [connection test](#)
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Joining the Session

The Facilitator will open the teaching room 30 minutes before the start of each session. Please join the room 20-30 minutes prior to the scheduled start time to allow time to test your connection and configure your audio. Please note, the room **will not open until 30 minutes prior to the start time**.

This is essential for your experience as it ensures all issues are dealt before the start time and the session is not disrupted.

BEFORE EACH SESSION

1.	Plug your USB headset into your device
2.	Ensure you have closed any applications that use your microphone, headset, or speakers (e.g. Skype)
3.	Close any other applications that might slow down your internet connection (e.g. downloading / uploading files)
4.	Run the <u>connection test</u> and pass tests 1 – 3.

HOW TO ENTER THE ROOM

1.	Log in to the EBS Student Portal
2.	On the Home page, you will see an additional course under Online Tutorials
3.	Click on the Online Tutorial course you are attending
4.	On the first page in the Online Tutorial hub, you will see a list of the sessions
5.	Click JOIN TUTORIAL next to the day's session
6.	A new browser window will launch with the Adobe room for the session

Once in the Adobe Connect Room

Once you are in the room, please follow the on screen instructions to configure your audio. Once you have completed the Audio Setup Wizard, the facilitator will speak to you and ask you to respond using your microphone.

If there are no problems, please mute your microphone for the remainder of the session until you are told to do otherwise. This will prevent any feedback interrupting the tutor's audio.

Forum

There is a dedicated Forum for each Online Tutorial. Here, you can post questions to Tutors, Facilitators and other students, and you can access additional documentation. Your Tutor and Facilitator will use the Forum as the main means of communicating with you. For example, you may be asked to review various materials prior to the start of the online sessions, so please schedule time for this.

Interacting in Adobe Connect

During the session, you can ask questions regarding the material covered; answer any questions put forward to you by the tutor; and interact with the other students.

There is a chat box within the room which can be used for discussion and questions. The main chat box can be seen by all in the room. If you wish to send a private message (e.g. to the facilitator), hover over that person's name and select Start Private Chat.

Students are also able to ask questions and discuss verbally if they have a working microphone.

IMPORTANT

We find that, for the most part, students do not face technical difficulties as long as they have taken in to consideration the login information provided. In the event that you do experience issues:

- Once in the session, you can post a message to the chat box and the facilitator will respond
- If you have difficulty logging in to Adobe Connect; please post a message directly to the Forum and the Facilitator will receive this
- Please refer to the Troubleshooting Hints on Page 9 for solutions to the most common issues

Troubleshooting

I can't hear the tutor / facilitator or The audio is intermittent / unclear

- Close the Adobe room and internet browser
- Re-connect your USB headset
- Re-enter the Adobe room using one of the recommended browsers (**do not use Google Chrome**)
- Run through the Audio Setup Wizard

I can't see anything on the screen

- Close the Adobe room and internet browser and re-enter

My connection is poor and I keep dropping out

- Your experience will depend on the strength of your connection at the time of the session; you can test your [connection here](#)
- To limit bandwidth usage, close down all other applications that may be using your internet connection
- If possible, use a wired connection by plugging your device directly into your router or work as close to the wireless router as possible

My microphone isn't working

- If you plugged your headset in after joining the session; close the Adobe room and re-enter with the headset already plugged in
- During the Audio Setup Wizard, be sure to click "Allow" if a pop up appears asking for permission for Adobe Connect to access your microphone
- Make sure your headset's microphone does not have an inline switch which is muted
- During the Audio Setup Wizard, make sure to select the correct microphone in the drop down menu. If your microphone is not listed, you need to restart your computer with the headset connected. If after a restart it is still not listed, you might need to install drivers for your microphone

FAQ

When will the recordings be available?

The recording of each session will become available approximately 1 hour after the session has finished.

How do I access the recordings?

The recordings are available from the Online Tutorial page on the Student Portal. After the session has finished and the recording is available, the option to Join Tutorial will change to Play Recording.

How long will the recordings be available for?

The recordings for each series are available until the following major exam diet:

- March Series – June Diet
- June Series – Dec Diet
- August Series – Dec Diet
- Dec Series – June Diet

Access can be arranged beyond this on an individual, request basis.

How long will the recordings be available for?

Yes, you can view the recordings at any time suitable to you up until the designated expiry date.

Am I able to attend these sessions if I have not started the course yet?

No. The course requires 200 study hours and the Online Tutorials should not be seen as a substitute for other study. It is expected that students attending will be well into their own examination preparation. Student must have read and studied the course in full prior to registering for an Online Revision course.

Can I register for the Online Tutorials if I know I cannot attend them live?

It is possible to sign up for these session even if you are not 100% certain you will be able to join live and with the intention of only viewing the recording. However, for the sessions you do not join live, you will lose the added value of live, direct contact with the tutor, which is where we feel students benefit the most.

What time will the sessions start in my location?

All of the timings for the sessions are given in Local UK Time. It is up to the individual student to convert this time to your location.

[Click here for a Time Zone Converter](#)

IMPORTANT

You must meet the all the prerequisites to participate in the Online sessions

DO NOT use Google Chrome – it is not compatible

LIVE sessions can be attended using the Adobe Connect app

RECORDINGS CANNOT be viewed using the Adobe Connect app

A Flash enabled device is required to view the recordings

Students must log in 20 – 30 minutes prior to the scheduled start time for **EACH** session

Headsets should be plugged into the device before launching Adobe Connect

The connection test must be run shortly before each session

A poor internet connection will affect Adobe Connect's performance