

**КИЇВСЬКИЙ НАЦІОНАЛЬНИЙ УНІВЕРСИТЕТ
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**ПРОГРАМА
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**THE PROGRAM OF ENTRANCE TEST
FOR FOREIGNERS
IN THE SPECIALTY
(BASICS OF ECONOMICS)**

SECTION 1. GENERAL PRINCIPLES OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Topic 1. Introduction to the Economics

The purpose and objectives of the discipline "Basics of Economics". The logic and structure of the discipline "Basics of Economics".

Economy as a sphere of life of society. Subjects and objects of economic relations. The main problem of economic life of society and economic science: the limited resources and the limitless needs.

Formation and basic stages of development of Economics: historical and economic excursion. Economic science and its role in the life of the individual and society.

Topic 2. Subject and method of Economics

The subject of Economics and its evolution.

Structure of Economics. The political economy. Economic theory. Microeconomics, mesoeconomics, macroeconomics, world economy (megaeconomics). Basic functions of Economics.

System of economic categories and economic laws. Economic laws: the content and differences from the laws of nature.

Methods of studying economic phenomena and processes. Systematic approach, dialectic, a combination of logical and historical. Scientific abstraction, analysis and synthesis, induction and deduction, etc. Linking Economics with other sciences and disciplines.

Topic 3. Needs and interests as driving force of economic development

Economic needs of society, their essence and classification. The law of needs growth and its importance. The pyramid of needs.

Economic interests: their structure, interaction, functions. Classification of economic interests.

Interaction of needs and interests.

Topic 4. The economic system of society. Property relations

Characteristics of the economic system of society. The basic elements of the structure of the economic system. Economic content of the productive forces of society. Economic relations, their structural elements.

Typology of economic systems. Key features of market and command-administrative economic systems. The main features of traditional and mixed economic systems.

Property relations, their leading role in the economic system. Subjects and objects of property relations. The role of man in the economic system.

Topic 5. Forms of organization of public production

The essence and elements of public production. Material and intangible production. The main factors of public production, their relationship. The concept of production efficiency. Economic and social efficiency.

Forms of organization of public production. Natural economy and commodity production. The product and its properties. Basic theories of value. Value theories and their interaction.

The law of value, its essence and functions.

Topic 6. The theory of money and money circulation

Money, their role in the economic system. Theories of the emergence of money: evolutionary and rationalistic. Basic theories of the essence of money. Functions of money, their evolution.

Evolution of forms of money. The main types of money. The amount of money needed for circulation. The concept of money supply and monetary aggregates.

The essence of inflation and its main factors. Influence of inflation on economic processes. Forms and types of inflation. Demand inflation and cost inflation. Socio-economic consequences of inflation. The concept of anti-inflation policy.

SECTION 2. THE BASICS OF MARKET ECONOMY: MICROECONOMIC, MACROECONOMIC AND GLOBAL LEVELS

Topic 7. Market economy: essence and structure

The essence of the market, its structure and functions. Characteristics of the modern market system.

Main subjects of market economy. The state as a market economy entity. Models of market economy. Market infrastructure, its essence and value.

Competition and monopoly in the economic system. Economic importance of competition. The main forms of competition. Perfect and imperfect competition. Price and non-price competition.

The concept of monopoly, its causes, essence, consequences. Antitrust policy of the state.

Topic 8. Supply and demand, market equilibrium

The nature of demand and its factors. Individual and market demand. Price and non-price factors of demand.

Supply: the content and the factors that determine it. Individual and market supply. Price and non-price factors of supply.

Demand-Supply interaction: market equilibrium. The equilibrium price. The concept of deficit and surplus.

Topic 9. Enterprise and entrepreneurship in market economy

The essence of entrepreneurship and conditions of its existence. Theories of entrepreneurship. Innovative entrepreneurship.

Enterprise, its types. Organizational and legal forms of enterprises. Classification of enterprises by size. Small business.

Modern forms of business activity. State policy of small business promotion.

Topic 10. Capital, production costs and profit

Capital as a material basis of entrepreneurship. Capital as an economic category.

Production costs, their nature and classification. Production costs in the short term.

Return on equity and the factors that determine it. Functions and economic role of profit. Profitability.

Industrial capital circulation and turnover. Physical and moral deterioration of fixed capital. Depreciation of fixed capital.

Topic 11. Public Reproduction.

National Economy: Essence and Measurement

Public reproduction: content, phases, forms. Reproduction of national product and national wealth. Reproduction and accumulation. Structural shifts in proportions of public reproduction.

Economic growth: nature, types, factors.

National economy. National Product Calculation. The system of basic macroeconomic indicators. National wealth.

Topic 12. Cyclicity of economic development

Cyclicity as a general pattern of a market economy. Economic growth and cyclicity. Classification of economic cycles. Medium, short cycles and long waves in the economy. The main characteristics of economic cycles.

Industrial (mid-term) cycle and its phases. Long waves in the economy.

Anti-cyclical economic policy of the state: essence and mechanism.

Topic 13. Labor Reproduction: Unemployment and Employment

Labor market and features of its functioning. Self-determination of individuals and employment of the population.

Causes and types of unemployment. Unemployment and its socio-economic consequences. Unemployment rate. Impact of unemployment on socio-economic development.

Evolution of theoretical concepts of the labor market, employment and unemployment.

Basic principles and mechanisms of state regulation of employment. Unemployment rate and dynamics.

Topic 14. State in market economy

Reasons for state intervention into the market mechanism. Evolution of theoretical views on the role of the state in the economy.

Functions of the state in market economy. Forms and methods of influence of the state on the market economy. Formation of economic policy. Main directions and priorities of economic policy.

Public sector and state enterprise as a way of realizing the economic functions of the state.

Topic 15. Patterns and features of development of transition economies.

Objective bases for the development of modern civilization. Evolution of economic systems. Transition economy: the essence and main features. Concepts of transition of post-socialist countries to a market economy.

Transformation of the Ukrainian economy: objective necessity and main

Topic 16. Patterns of development of world economy

Fundamentals of shaping the world economy: the role of the international division of labor and internationalization of the economy.

The diversity of forms of international economic relations. World market of goods and services. International movement of capital, information, labor. International scientific and technical cooperation. Content and structure of the world monetary system. Current trends in the world monetary system.

Globalization of global economic relations and its impact on national economic systems. Global problems of humanity.

SUGGESTED READING

1. Acemoglu D. (2009). Introduction to Modern Economic Growth, Princeton University Press.
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