

MAKING SENSE OF THE ECONOMY: MONEY AND FINANCE IN THE 21ST CENTURY

The last ten years have been a tumultuous period in the world of economics and finance. It has included the worst recession since the Great Depression, the biggest Ponzi scheme in history, and unprecedented actions by the Fed to keep interest rates at ultra-low levels. This course will use lectures, class discussion, and video clips to make sense of these and other economic events. Participants will be encouraged to watch several Wall Street-themed movies and discuss them in class. The course is appropriate for students of all levels of economic sophistication, though some familiarity with economic and financial issues may be helpful.

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