

AP Macroeconomics Summer Reading 2020



Why don't we set our Chromebooks and other electronic devices aside this summer and pick up a good book to read? Here are some excellent suggestions for some background reading in preparation for APEC class in the fall.

While all the reading is optional, I strongly encourage you select a book from the list to read, especially if this is your first economics course. Each book on the list is currently available at local public libraries or for purchase on Amazon for less than \$20. Click on the titles for a book description on Amazon.

I hope you have a safe and relaxing summer, and I look forward to seeing you live and direct in August (fingers crossed).

~ Hollis

RECOMMENDED READING FOR AP MACROECONOMICS

- George Akerlof, [Animal Spirits: How Human Psychology Drives the Economy, and Why It Matters for Global Capitalism](#) (2009)
- Dorothy Brown, [The Whiteness of Wealth: How the Tax System Impoverishes Black Americans—and How We Can Fix It](#) (2021)
- Ha-Joon Chang, [23 Things They Don't Tell You About Capitalism](#) (2012)
- Paul Collier, [The Bottom Billion: Why the Poorest Countries are Failing and What Can Be Done About It](#) (2008)
- Anand Giridharadas, [Winners Take All: The Elite Charade of Changing the World](#) (2019)
- Tim Harford, [The Undercover Economist](#) (2007)
- Daniel Kahneman, [Thinking, Fast and Slow](#) (2013)
- Steven Levitt, [Freakonomics: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything](#) (2020)
- Robert Shiller, [Narrative Economics: How Stories Go Viral and Drive Major Economic Events](#) (2020)
- Richard Thaler, [Misbehaving: The Making of Behavioral Economics](#) (2016)