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### Key Decision Summary

- **Edition Fit:** ISBN 9781319282202 matches the first edition of *Economics of Education*.
- **Best Price in Snapshot:** The current print listing is lower than the sampled rental, used, and new-print comparators.
- **Ownership Logic:** Because print is already cheaper than rental here, ownership is the strongest value route for most readers.
- **Field Relevance:** This matters most for students in education policy, leadership, economics, or school-finance work who may return to the arguments later.
- **Price Snapshot Date:** April 15, 2026

## If you only need the buying answer

The current print listing at **\$58.19** is already below the sampled 3-month rental price of **\$64.99**, far below the sampled print buy price of **\$209.99**, and below the sampled used comparator as well. That makes print the strongest straightforward value route in this snapshot. There is not much reason to rent when ownership costs less.

Store	Format	Condition	Price	Link
<b>Merybook</b>	Print	New	<b>\$58.19</b>	<a href="#">Check listing</a>
Macmillan	Rental	3-month rental	\$64.99	<a href="#">Check price</a>
Walmart	Print	Pre-owned	\$95.99	<a href="#">Check price</a>
Macmillan	Print	Buy	\$209.99	<a href="#">Check price</a>

This is a nice pricing setup for the reader because the usual tradeoff disappears. The print copy is not merely competitive with rental; it is cheaper. That means the only real question is whether the subject is worth keeping, not whether ownership is an avoidable premium.

## **What this book actually teaches**

*Economics of Education* is about how economic reasoning explains schooling, incentives, finance, attainment, postsecondary choice, and policy outcomes. It helps readers connect education questions to analytical arguments and empirical evidence rather than to opinion alone. That gives it value beyond one seminar or one assignment sequence.

The book is especially relevant for students interested in education policy, leadership, school finance, or research, because those fields often return to the same debates about returns, equity, incentives, and institutional design. In that setting, a keepable copy is easy to justify when ownership is already cheaper than rental.

## **When print is worth keeping**

In this snapshot, print is simply the best value route. Because ownership already costs less than rental, the main question is whether the subject matters enough to keep. For the likely audience of this book, the answer is often yes.

## **Sources checked**

- Macmillan product page for *Economics of Education*, 1st edition: [macmillanlearning.com](https://www.macmillanlearning.com)
- Current market pricing reviewed on April 15, 2026.