

Economics 2020 Section 090, Economics 202 Section 090: Principles of Macroeconomics

Syllabus, Summer 2015

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This is an online course.

3 credit hours

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A. Course Objectives

This course is designed to introduce students to main macroeconomic concepts and familiarize students with the application of these concepts to the modern economy. Students will comprehend how macroeconomic performance is monitored by learning the measurement of GDP and economic growth; students will observe the role of the financial sector; students will understand the reasons for macroeconomic fluctuations; and students will grasp both fiscal and monetary policies. There is an emphasis on comparing and contrasting different markets: the goods market, the labor market, the loanable funds market and the money market.

This course is required for economics and some non-economics majors but it is useful for any area of study.

B. Course Organization

This is an online course; therefore, we will not meet in class for lectures. On weekly basis I will post Power Point slides on Canvas and I will assign readings based on the Course Outline under Section F of the syllabus. I will tell you to skip some chapters or sections of a few chapters. If the students wish to do so, they can read these sections for their own interest. I will also post videos and ask students to read newspaper articles that are related to our class. I will also prepare problem solving sets and answer key for these questions, additional notes which also will be posted on Canvas. There is also Study Guide that has summary for each chapter and additional practice questions.

I will frequently make announcements to communicate with the class. All of these announcements will be posted on Canvas under Announcements section, and the students will get notification e-mails after each announcement is made. It will be the student's responsibility to make sure that he or she reads the announcements. I will meet with students by appointment.

C. Course Requirements and Textbook

There are four assignments and four tests for this class. There is no final exam; therefore, the weight of the final exam is distributed on the tests. There will be an option for extra credit based on the reports students are asked to write on the newspaper articles and on videos. However, writing reports will be optional.

Assignments 40% (10 percent each), Tests 60% (15 percent each)

- Assignment # 1 and Test # 1: Chapters 1, 2, 3, 4 (due date: June 24th 11:59 pm)
- Assignment # 2 and Test # 2: Chapters 5, 6 (due date: July 5th 11:59 pm)
- Assignment # 3 and Test # 3: Chapters 7, 8, 10 (due date: July 23rd 11:59 pm)
- Assignment # 4 and Test # 4: Chapters 12, 13, 14 (due date: August 7th 11:59 pm)

All of these assignments and tests will be posted on MyEconLab. They will be posted three weeks or approximately three weeks prior to the deadline. Late assignments will NOT be accepted.

What is MyEconLab? MyEconLab is Pearson's (the publisher) online lab.

The students have a free 14-day trial for MyEconLab.

The students have four options regarding MyEconLab and textbook. E-text means online book.

Options	Includes Pearson eText?	ISBN(s)
MyEconLab	with e-text	0133025314 9780133025316
MyEconLab + Student Value Edition (3-hole punch copy) (hardcopy with lower paper quality)	with e-text	0133423867 9780133423860
MyEconLab + Print Text (hardcopy)	with e-text	0133423883 9780133423884
Buy MyEconLab individually from the website: http://www.pearsonmylabandmastering.com/northamerica/myeconlab/ + buy a secondhand/used hardcopy from Amazon, another student etc.	No e-text	

The bookstore has the third option, which is the hardcopy of the book that comes with e-text and MyEconLab. The first and second options have both MyEconLab and e-text, but the second option also has another hardcopy version of the book. For the fourth option, you can simply click on the link I copied on the table above (or simply Google MyEconLab and Pearson) to buy MyEconLab by itself directly from the website. On the website, you need to click on Register as a student.

Parkin, Micheal. *Macroeconomics*. New Jersey: Pearson, 2013. 11th ed.

D. Grade Scale

A	93+	C	70-74.99
A-	90-92.99	C-	65-69.99
B+	87-89.99	D+	63-64.99
B	82-86.99	D	57-62.99
B-	80-81.99	D-	50-56.99
C+	75-79.99	E	<50

E. Course Schedule

Events	Dates
Classes begin	Monday, May 18
Last day to add without a permission code	Monday, May 25
Last day to drop (delete) classes	Wednesday, May 27
Last day to add, elect CR/NC, or audit classes	Monday, June 1
Last day to withdraw from classes	Friday, June 26
Last day to reverse CR/NC option	Friday, July 31
Classes end	Wednesday, August 5
Reading day	N/A
Final exam period	Thurs.-Fri., Aug. 6-7

F. Course Outline

WEEK 1 (May 18th)

Introduction
Chapter 1: What is Economics?
Chapter 2: The Economic Problem

WEEK 2 (May 25th)

Chapter 3: Demand and Supply
Chapter 4: Measuring GDP and Economic Growth

WEEK 3 (June 1st)

Chapter 4: Measuring GDP and Economic Growth cont.
Chapter 5: Monitoring Jobs and Inflation

WEEK 4 (June 8th)

Chapter 5: Monitoring Jobs and Inflation cont.
Chapter 6: Economic Growth

WEEK 5 (June 15th)

Chapter 7: Finance, Saving and Investment
Chapter 8: Money, the Price Level, and Inflation

WEEK 6 (June 22nd)

Chapter 10: Aggregate Supply and Aggregate Demand

WEEK 7 (June 29th)

Chapter 10: Aggregate Supply and Aggregate Demand cont.

WEEK 8 (July 6th)

Chapter 12: Inflation, Jobs, and the Business Cycle

WEEK 9 (July 13th)

Chapter 13: Fiscal Policy

WEEK 10 (July 20th)

Chapter 13: Fiscal Policy

WEEK 11 (July 27th)

Chapter 14: Monetary Policy

WEEK 12 (August 3rd)

Chapter 14: Monetary Policy cont.

G. Disclaimer

The University of Utah seeks to provide equal access to its programs, services and activities for people with disabilities. If you will need accommodations in the class, reasonable prior notice needs to be given to the Center for Disability Services, 162 Olpin Union Building, 581-5020 (V/TDD). CDS will work with you and the instructor to make arrangements for accommodations. All information in this course can be made available in alternative format with prior notification to the Center for Disability Services. (www.hr.utah.edu/oeo/ada/guide/faculty/)