

Department of Economics Course Outline

		Term:	Winter 2005
Course:	Economics 203 [Introduction to Macroeconomics]	Section:	04
Time:	MWF 11:00 - 11:50	Place:	KNB 132
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Textbook(s):

Mankiw, N. Gregory, Ronald D. Kneebone, and Kenneth J. McKenzie, and Nicholas Rowe. (2004). *Principles of Macroeconomics*, Third Canadian Edition, Thomson Nelson. **[Required Text]**

Manouchehri, Shahram and Peter Fortura, *Study Guide to Accompany ?Principles of Macroeconomics?*, latest edition, Thomson Nelson. **[Recommended Text]**

Book(s) on Reserve:

None

Blackboard:

This course will make use of Blackboard. Students who are registered in the course can log on at http://blackboard.ucalgary.ca/webapps/login

Course Outline:

The Data of Macroeconomics

The Real Economy in the Long Run	Chapters 7 - 10	
Money and Prices in the Long Run	Chapters 11?12	
The Macroeconomics of Open Economies	Chapters 13?14	
Short Run Economic Fluctuations	Chapters 15?17	
Final Thoughts	Chapter 18	

Grade Determination and Final Examination Details:

There will be two midterm exams and a final exam. Each midterm will determine 25% of the final course grade and will consist of multiple choice and short answer questions (including some math and graphing).

The exams will consist of multiple choice and short answer/essay style questions. Some of the short answer style questions will consist of a graph (or a series of graphs) that will be accompanied by a written explanation. Short answer style questions will comprise of approximately 20% of the exam grade.

The final exam is scheduled by the Registrar?s Office during exam week. The exams may be held during the day, at night, or on a weekend. You should make arrangements early in the semester with employers or travel agents to ensure attendance at the exam. If attendance is not possible, withdrawal is advised.

Midterm Test #1	25%	Friday February 4	50 Minutes
Midterm Test #2	25%	Friday March 11	50 Minutes
Final Exam	50%	Registrar Scheduled	2 Hours

Tests and final exams are marked on a numerical (percentage) basis, and then converted to letter grades. The course grade is then calculated using the weights indicated above. As a guide to determining standing, these letter grade equivalences will generally apply:

A+	97?100	В	77 - 81	C-	61 - 64
А	91 - 96	B-	72 - 76	D+	56 - 60
A-	87 - 90	C+	68 - 71	D	50 - 55
B+	82 - 86	С	65 - 67	F	0 - 49

If, for some reason, the distribution of grades determined using the aforementioned conversion chart appears to be abnormal the instructor reserves the right to change the grade conversion chart if the instructor, *at the instructor?s discretion*, feels it is necessary to more fairly represent student achievement.

Non-programmable calculators will be allowed during the writing of tests or final examinations.

There will be a Registrar scheduled final examination, lasting 2 hours.

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Notes:

- You need not receive a passing mark on any particular component of the course, but failure to submit any assignment or sit for any exam (without prior instructor approval or medical verification), will result in an "F" for the course.
- No "make up" exams will be given. If you find it necessary to miss an exam, notify me (in advance if possible) and produce a valid medical certificate. I will re-adjust the weighing of the missed exam to other exams in the course (the weighing of the missed exam will be at the instructor?s discretion). The only exception is where a student misses both midterms. In this situation, an exam covering the material dealt in those midterms will be given. Such an exam will be short answer with no multiple-choice questions.
- Make yourself familiar with the academic regulations in the University?s Calendar. For information on student misconduct, a good source can be found at: <u>www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/2004/What/Fac/GS/GSSub_BI.htm</u>.
- Programmable (graphing) calculators and <u>cell phones</u> are <u>not</u> to be used in any exam.
- Students seeking reappraisal of a piece of graded work (assignment, midterm test) should discuss their work with the instructor within *two weeks* of the work being returned to the class.
- Students will be responsible for all material listed on the course outline, regardless of whether or not the material has been covered in class, unless the instructor notifies the class that the material will not be covered.
- Students who are registered in the course can log on to Blackboard at: <u>http://blackboard.ucalgary.ca/webapps/login</u>. Further announcements concerning Blackboard will be made throughout the semester.

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