

Department of Economics Faculty of Arts

Economics 303 (02) Intermediate Economic Theory – Macroeconomics I

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Course Description:

The course is designed to emphasize policy and practice and to focus on the most exciting, current, major policy debates in the field of macroeconomics.

Course Objectives/Learning Outcomes:

Chapters Covered

1.	Introduction	Chapters 1 - 2
2.	Macroeconomic Basics	Chapters 3 - 5
3.	Microeconomic Foundations of Macroeconomics	Chapters 18 - 19
4.	Business Cycles: The Short Run	Chapters 8 - 13
5.	Exchange Rates and International Economic Policy	Chapter 17

Prerequisites/corequisites: Macroeconomics 203

Required Textbook(s):

Mishkin, Frederic S. *Macroeconomics: Policy and Practice* 2nd Edition, Pearson 2015.

Recommended Textbook(s): None

Reserved Readings:

Mishkin, Frederic S. *Macroeconomics: Policy and Practice* 2nd Edition, Pearson 2015.

Mishkin, Frederic S. and Apostolos Serletis. *The Economics of Money, Banking, and Financial Markets:* 6th Canadian Edition, Pearson 2016.

Tutorials:

Students are expected to attend a weekly tutorial section. During the tutorial section the TA will discuss pre-assigned questions/material relevant to the course.

Course Requirements/Assessments:

There will be two assignments, two midterms, and a two-hour Registrar scheduled final examination. The weights of these in the course grade are as follows:

Assignments (Oct. 4, Nov. 8)	10%
Midterms (Oct. 20, Nov. 24)	40%
Final Examination	<u>50%</u>
	100%

Desire2Learn This course will make use of the Desire2Learn (D2L) platform. Students who are registered in the course can log on at http://d2l.ucalgary.ca through their student centre. Please note that D2L features a class e-mail list that may be used to distribute course-related information. These e-mails go to your University of Calgary e-mail addresses only.

Grade Determination

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. As a guide to determining standing, these letter grade equivalences will apply:

A+	96 – 100	В	76 – 80	C-	59 – 62
Α	89 – 95	B-	72 – 75	D+	55 – 58
A-	85 – 88	C+	68 – 71	D	50 – 54
B+	81 – 84	С	63 – 67	F	0 – 49

Part marks of 0.5 or above will be rounded up; those below 0.5 will be rounded down. A passing grade on any particular component of the course is not required for a student to pass the course as a whole.

As per the Writing Across the Curriculum Statement in the Calendar, writing and grading thereof will be a factor in the evaluation of student work.

Any student work which remains undistributed after the last day of classes will be available to students through the instructor's office during his office hours.

The final examination will be comprehensive, scheduled by the Registrar, held in a classroom, and last 2 hours. If a student cannot write their final exam on the date assigned by the Registrar's Office, they need to apply for a deferred exam www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/exams/deferred_final. Under no circumstance will this be accommodated by the Department.

Tests and exams will not involve multiple-choice questions. Non-programmable calculators will be allowed during the writing of tests or final examinations.

THERE WILL BE NO MAKEUP OR DEFERRED QUIZZES/TESTS/EXAMS under any circumstances, nor may the quizzes/tests/exams be written early. Students unable to write the quizzes/tests/exams because of documented illness, family emergency, religious observance, or university-sanctioned event will have the weight shifted to the final examination; otherwise a grade of zero will be assigned.

Reappraisal of Grades and Intellectual Honesty:

For reappraisal of graded term work, see Calendar I.2 http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/i-2.html

For reappraisal of final grade, see Calendar I.3 http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/i-3.html

Statement of Intellectual Dishonesty, see Calendar K.4 http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k-4.html

Plagiarism and Other Academic Misconduct, , see Calendar K.5 http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k-5.html

Academic Accommodation:

Students seeking an accommodation based on disability or medical concerns should contact Student Accessibility Services; SAS will process the request and issue letters of accommodation to instructors. For additional information on support services and accommodations for students with disabilities Visit www.ucalgary.ca/access/.

Students who require an accommodation in relation to their coursework based on a protected ground other than disability should communicate this need in writing to their Instructor. The full policy on Student Accommodations is available at http://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/student-accommodation-policy.pdf

Important Dates:

Please check: http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/academic-schedule.html

Student Organizations:

Faculty of Arts Students' Association (F.A.S.A.):

Economics Department Representative

Office: SS 803, E-mail: econrep@fasaucalgary.ca and Web: www.fasaucalgary.ca.

Society of Undergraduates in Economics:

https://www.ucalgarysue.com/.

Society of Undergraduates in Economics is a student run organization whose main purpose is to assist undergraduate economics students to succeed both academically and socially at the University of Calgary. Services include access to the exam bank, career partnerships with the Career Centre through hosting industry nights and information sessions, recognizing achievements in teaching, and organizing social events for members. They invite you to join by contacting SUE at societyofundergradsineconomics@gmail.com.

Faculty of Arts Program Advising and Student Information Resources:

Have a question, but not sure where to start? The Arts Students' Centre is your information
resource for everything in Arts! Drop in at SS102, call them at 403-220-3580 or email them at
artsads@ucalgary.ca. You can also visit the Faculty of Arts website at

http://arts.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate which has detailed information on common academic concerns, including program planning and advice.

- For registration (add/drop/swap), paying fees and assistance with your Student Centre, contact Enrolment Services at 403-210-ROCK [7625] or visit them in the MacKimmie Library Block.
- Online writing resources are available at http://www.ucalgary.ca/ssc/resources/writing-support.

Evacuation Assembly Point:

In case of an emergency evacuation during class, students must gather at the designated assembly point nearest to the classroom. The assembly point for this classroom is Scurfield Hall – Atrium.

Safewalk:

The Safewalk program provides volunteers to walk students safely to their destination anywhere on campus. This service is free and available 24 hrs/day, 365 days a year. **Call 403-220-5333.**

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