



Department of Economics Course Outline

		Term:	Winter 2006
Course:	Economics 303 [Intermediate Economic Theory ? Macroeconomics I]	Section:	03
Time:	TR 12:30 ? 13:45	Place:	ED 280 (subject to change)
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Textbook(s):

Abel, Bernanke, Smith and Kneebone, Macroeconomics, Fourth Canadian Edition. Pearson Addison Wesley, 2005.
ISBN:0-321-30662-7

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>

Grade Determination and Final Examination Details:

The final grade will be based on performance in two midterm, one final exam, and homework sets. The weights for each requirement are as follows:

Midterm 1	- February 16	20%
Midterm 2	- March 23	20%
Final		40%
Assignments	- February 9	20%

- March 21

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+	96-100	B+	77-79	C+	67-69	D+	56-59
A	85-95	B	75-76	C	63-66	D	50-55
A-	80-84	B-	70-74	C-	60-62	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, and held in a classroom.

Course Outline: (Some topics may be added or deleted depending on the availability of time.)

- Introduction
- Long-Run Macroeconomics - A Brief Introduction
- Business Cycles and Macroeconomic Policy

Notes:

- Students should be aware of the importance of appropriate sequencing of their courses to meet all the graduation requirements, especially in the Honours program. Honours students should complete Math 249 or 251, and Math 211 no later than the second year. This is very important because these courses are prerequisites for Econ. 387/389, which in turn are prerequisites for Econ. 557/559. Also, Stat. 213 should be completed no later than the third year because it is a prerequisite for Econ. 315, which in turn is a prerequisite for Econ. 419. We suggest that you consult the Calendar, and the brochure "Undergraduate Programs in Economics". If you still need help you should speak with a Student Advisor in the Economics Department.
- Students should be aware that no "make-up" midterms will be given. Any student who finds it necessary to miss the midterm must notify the instructor in advance and produce a valid medical certificate or other required documentation in order to have the weighting moved to the final examination. Note that deferred final examinations may contain short/long answer questions. Also, deferred final examinations do not have to cover the same material or have the same format as the regular final examination.
- Examinations will not be given prior to the scheduled date.
- Students should be aware of the academic regulations outlined in The University of Calgary Calendar.
- Students seeking reappraisal of a piece of graded term work should discuss their work with the instructor *within* 15 days of work being returned to class; however, the earliest that grades will be discussed will be two days after the return of an assignment or examination.
- 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.

- Please note that the following types of emails will receive no response: emails not addressed to anyone in particular; emails where the recipient's name is not spelled correctly; anonymous emails; emails which do not specify the course and section in which you are registered; and, emails involving questions that are specifically addressed on the course outline.

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