



Department of Economics Course Outline

		Term:	Winter 2006
Course:	Economics 313 [Macroeconomics for Economics & Society]	Section:	01
Time:	TR 9:30 ? 10:45	Place:	SS 109 (subject to change)
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Textbook(s):

Mankiw, N. Gregory and William Scarth, *Macroeconomics*, Worth Publishers, 2nd Canadian Edition Updated, 2004.
[Required]

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>. Please note that Blackboard features a class e-mail list that I will use. It is your responsibility to ensure that Blackboard uses the e-mail address of your choice. The default is your University of Calgary e-mail address.

Course Outline:

This course will develop the tools required to analyze the problems of inflation, unemployment, and government debt.

Topics:

Some topics may be added or deleted depending on time constraints.)

- Aggregate Demand ? Chapters 10 and 11
- Aggregate Demand in the Open Economy
- Aggregate Supply ? Chapter 13
- Stabilization Policy ? Chapter 14
- Government Debt and Budget Deficits - Chapter 15
- What We Know, What We Don't - Epilogue

Midterm Test (25%) -- Date: Tuesday, February 14.
Grade Determination and Final Examination Details:

Assignment (25%) -- Due Date: Tuesday, March 14

Final Exam (50%) -- Date: Set by the Registrar's Office.

The assignment is due at the *beginning* of the lecture on the due date. The midterm test will be held in class on the date indicated. The final exam will be two (2) hours in length. The final exam will be scheduled by the Registrar's Office and will be conducted in a location determined by the Registrar's Office. There will be no multiple choice questions on either tests or on the final exam. The use of a nonprogrammable calculator during the test and the final exam will be allowed.

The test, assignment, and the final exam are marked on a numerical (percentage) basis. The grades are then added using the weights indicated above and converted to letter grades. As a guide to determining standing, these letter grade equivalences will generally apply:

A+	97 - 100	B	79 - 83	C-	62 - 66
A	92 - 96	B-	76 - 78	D+	57 - 61
A-	89 - 91	C+	73 - 75	D	50 - 56
B+	84 - 88	C	67 - 72	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.

A passing grade on any particular component of the course is not required for a student to pass the course as a whole.

R-E-S-P-E-C-T:

I assume that the reason you are attending my class is to endeavour to acquire an understanding of macroeconomics. It has been my experience that this task is made much easier and far more enjoyable for all involved (including me) if we can

maintain a relaxed but respectful atmosphere in the classroom. For my part, maintaining such an atmosphere requires that I be respectful of your time, your questions, and your concerns. I will, therefore, strive to be on time for lectures and office hours, answer your questions in class as well as I can, and listen to your concerns. For your part, maintaining a respectful atmosphere requires that you avoid being late for class, that you refrain from leaving before the lecture ends, that you not talk when either I am speaking or one of your classmates is speaking, and that your cell phones are turned off during the class.

Notes:

- 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.

Other Resources:

Students? Union Vice President Academic:

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Society of Undergraduates in Economics (S.U.E.)

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Safewalk / Campus Security: phone 220-5333

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