

Department of Economics Course Outline

Term:

Section:

Winter 2005

01 & 02

Course: Economics 359

[Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory II]

Place: ST 130 (01)

ST 130 (02)

(Subject to Change)

Time: MWF 09:00 ? 09:50 (01)

MWF 11:00 ? 11:50 (02)

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Textbook(s):

Barro, Robert J., Macroeconomics, 5th U.S. edition, The MIT Press, 1997.

Book(s) on Reserve:

None

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We will (after briefly reviewing Chapters 2-5, 7-8, and 20 in the text) cover the following:

1. Investment

Chapter 9

2. The Accumulation of Capital and Economic Growth

Chapter 11

Cha	pters 12-14								
4. The Interaction between Nominal and Real Variables									
Cha	Chapters 17 and 18								
5. Rational Expectations Macroeconomics									
Cha	apter 19								
6. The International Economy									
Cha	apters 15 and 16								
Grade Determination and Final Examination Details:									
There will be three assignments, a midterm, and a two-hour Registrar scheduled final examination, which will be held in a classroom. The weights of these in the course grade are as follows:									
Assignme	ent 1		10%						
Assignme	ent 2		10%						
Midterm			30%						
Assignme	ent 3		10%						
Final Exa	nmination		40%						
			100%)					
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+	81	? 84	C+	68 ? 71	D+		55 ? 58

Part marks of 0.5 or above will be rounded up; those below 0.5 will be rounded down.

В

B-

76?80

72 - 75

3. Government Behavior

89 ? 95

85?88

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.

C

C-

63 ? 67

59 ? 62

50 ? 54

0?49

D

F

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

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

Tests and exams WILL NOT involve multiple choice questions.

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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 "Department of Economics Explicit Syllabus", which is available at http://econ.ucalgary.ca/programs/undergrad/ES.htm, or the University of Calgary Calendar. If you want help in designing your program, you should speak with a Student Advisor in the Department of Economics.
- Students seeking reappraisal of a piece of graded term work (term paper, essay, etc.) should discuss their work with the Instructor within two weeks of the work being returned to the class.
- Make-up examinations and deferred examinations will not be given <u>except in cases of extreme personal emergencies</u>. Also, examinations will not be given <u>before</u> the indicated examination dates.

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