

Department of Economics Course Outline

Term: Winter 2004

Course: Economics 641

[Monetary and Financial Economics]

Section: 91

Time:

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Place:

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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

Textbook(s):

There is no textbook for this course. I will assign a reading list that will be updated as term progresses. The books listed below should be on reserve at the library.

Books on Reserve:

- Michael Woodford (2003) Interest *and Prices: Foundations of a Theory of Monetary Policy*, Princeton University Press, 2003.
- Carl Walsh (2001) *Monetary Theory and Policy* MIT Press, 2nd edition
- Bruce Champ & Scott Freeman (2001) Modeling Monetary Economies, CUP, 2nd edition
- John Taylor ed. (1999) Monetary Policy Rules NBER
- N. Gregory Mankiw ed (1994) *Monetary Policy*, NBER

- Alan Blinder (1998) Central Banking in Theory and Practice MIT Press
- Robert Solow and John Taylor (1998) Inflation, Unemployment and Monetary Policy, MIT Press
- Benjamin Friedman & Frank Hahn eds (1990) Handbook of Monetary Economics, Volumes 1 and 2, Elsevier Science

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This course will look at various topics in monetary economics. It will mostly be concerned with monetary policy, however we may also look at other topics such as money in search models and some episodes in monetary history.

Grade Determination and Final Examination Details:

| Assignments | 30% |
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Midterm Examination 30%

40% Paper

I will give you two assignments during the course of the term. These will consist of writing a short "policy brief" on topics to be decided. The midterm exam will take place in class on a date to be announced. There is no final exam. Towards the end of the term students will present their papers in class.

Safewalk/Campus Security: 220-5333

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