

ECON 202-Section 01
Principles of Economics II: Macroeconomics
Winter Quarter 2011

W 6:10-10:00pm
SH-C236

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Prerequisite: Econ 201

Texts: Recommended:

Bade and Parkin, *Foundations of Macroeconomics*

Course description: This course is designed to introduce the student to the fundamentals of macroeconomics.

Evaluation and Grading:

1. Midterm 45%
2. Final Exam 45% Wednesday, March 16, 7:30-10:00pm
3. Homework assignments 10%

The midterm exam will be administered sometime around the 5th week of classes. The midterm and final exams will consist of brief essays and/or problems. There are no make-up exams, under **ANY** circumstances. There will be two homework assignments. The specifics of the same will be provided in class. **NO late assignments** will be accepted, under **ANY** circumstances.

Grade distribution:

93%-100%	A	73%-76%	C
90%-92%	A-	70%-72%	C-
87%-89%	B+	67%-69%	D+
83%-86%	B	63%-66%	D
80%-82%	B-	60%-62%	D-
77%-79%	C+	59% and below	F

Extra Credit and Class Participation: Will count toward your final score but **ONLY** if your cumulative score is situated on the border line between two grades.

Tentative Schedule

Week 1	Introduction to macroeconomics Chapters 1, 2, 3 and 4
Week 2	Measures of macroeconomic performance Chapters 5, 6 and 7
Week 3	Economic growth Chapters 8, 9 and 10
Weeks 4 and 5	The business cycle Chapters 14, 15
Week 6	Money Chapters 11, 12 and 13
Weeks 7 and 8	Economic policy Chapters 16, 17 and 18
Week 9	International trade Chapter 19
Week 10	International finance Chapter 20

Miscellaneous policies:

1. Class behavior: You are expected to behave as a responsible adult. In short, that implies to pay attention, do not distract the attention of others by talking loudly or about topics not related to class, and more importantly, do not distract my attention. Those who do not follow these basic guidelines of civil behavior will be asked to leave the classroom.
2. Academic dishonesty: Will be handled as stated under the Procedures and Regulations section of the University Catalog.
3. Communication devices: Please make sure that your mobile communications device is turned off BEFORE entering the classroom.
4. Students are expected to remain in the classroom through the entire class period. If you are unable to do so, and have the need to step out and come back, please seat by the door; as to keep distractions at a minimum.