

# Econ 2202

## Intermediate Macro

Spring 2012

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### Contact Information and Class Details

Classroom : OAK108  
Lectures : Monday, Wednesday, Friday 10-10:50 am  
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Textbooks : Main: Macroeconomics, Gregory Mankiw (Macmillan)

### Course Description

This Course focuses on the measurement of the economic wealth and income, along with its shortcomings and criticisms, Fundamental Macroeconomic Models under the Invisible Hand Concept, and other Major Macroeconomic issues tackling Employment, Price level, interest rates, Money, Inflation, Financial Systems, as well as Unemployment and Income Distribution.

### Course Objectives

Macroeconomics is a highly broad area where only the fundamentals will be covered in this course. Although we will try to stick to the textbook, we will not focus on economic growth or international trade, rather with more emphasis on understanding the economy from alternative perspectives. The outlook of this course will be critical, simplistic, informative, and right to the point. We will occasionally skip some of the less relevant parts in the main book, but quote other materials from other sources, which you will be guided through.

### Grading

Grade	Score Bracket
A	90 thru 100
A-	85 thru 89
B+	80 thru 84
B	75 thru 79
B-	70 thru 74
C+	65 thru 69
C	60 thru 64
C-	55 thru 59
D+	50 thru 54
D	45 thru 49
F	0 thru 44

Your final grade will be determined by

- a) Midterm 1 & 2: 30% each
- b) Final Exam: 40%
- c) Class Participation: 10 % (bonus)

All exams will be multiple choice. Class participation consists of *unannounced* pop quizzes, web materials, and assignments, which count on top of the regular 100% score. The given grading scale will be applied *before* the bonus points and the scores *might be* curved at discretion. Attendance is not compulsory but strongly recommended.

## General Outline

The table below is the basic material to be covered in class, intended as a guide for the course-work, *not* a precise timetable. Although I will try to stick with the textbook and general outlines, I *cannot* guarantee that all necessary information (for the exams) will be covered by one source only (lectures or textbook), so you should attend the classes and buy the textbook to be in sync with the actual study materials. Please note that the syllabus may be subject to change, in which case, you will be notified.

<u>Week #</u>	<u>Week of</u>	<u>Chapter #</u>	<u>Topics</u>
1	08.27.2012	1	Science of Macroeconomics
2	09.03.2012	2	<b>Labor Day</b> + Data of Macroeconomics
3	09.10.2012	3	National Income
4	09.17.2012	4, 19	Money and Inflation, Money Supply - Demand
5	09.24.2012	5	The Open Economy
6	10.01.2012	6	<b>MIDTERM 1</b> + Unemployment
7	10.08.2012	9	Economic Fluctuations
8	10.15.2012	10-11	Aggregate Demand: IS-LM Models
9	10.22.2012	13	Aggregate Supply and Philips Curve
10	10.29.2012	15	<b>MIDTERM 2</b> + Stabilization Policy
11	11.05.2012	16	Government Budget and Debt
12	11.12.2012	---	<b>Thanksgiving Recess</b>
13	11.19.2012	17	Consumption
14	11.26.2012	18	Investment
15	12.03.2012	---	Review + Makeup
16	12.10.2012	---	<b>FINAL EXAM</b>

## Academic Misconduct

Please note that *only officially documented absence* from exams will be considered valid, and no other cases will be tolerated. Please refer to the following website for more information about...

Academic Misconduct: [http://www.community.uconn.edu/academic\\_integrity.html](http://www.community.uconn.edu/academic_integrity.html)

Student code: [http://www.dosa.uconn.edu/student\\_code.html](http://www.dosa.uconn.edu/student_code.html)

## Electronic Devices

During class period, all cell phones, mp3 devices, pagers must be turned off or in silent mode. Laptops, ipads or similar devices must be used for the sole purpose of note-taking, following class lectures or related material at instructor discretion.

## Announcements

All assignments, pop quizzes, announcements and other materials will be posted in Dropbox, which you are required to follow. Other materials such as past exams might be posted at discretion.