



SECOND SEMESTER 2023-2024

Course Handout Part II

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In addition to part I (General Handout for all courses appended to the time table) this portion gives further specific details regarding the course.

Course No. : ECON F243

Course Title : Macroeconomics

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Course Description: Why do some countries grow at a faster rate than others? Why are there inflation, unemployment and recessions? What are the sources of these aggregate economic fluctuations? Can the government/policymakers do something about them? Should they? While the questions are clearly simply stated, their importance to businesses and our lives cannot be overstated. This course provides a framework to start thinking about, if not outright answering, these questions.

This course will introduce students to the definition and measurement of aggregate variables such as income and expenditure, inflation and unemployment, and then develop a conceptual framework that provides insights into the determinants of these aggregate measures that macroeconomics is concerned with. The course will also include an analysis of the role of government and central bank with reference to monetary, fiscal and foreign exchange rate policies.

Scopes and Objective: By the end of this course, students should understand macroeconomic concepts, theories and models and be able to interpret and analyze real world situations using these concepts, theories and models. Upon completion of the course, students should be able to:

- Locate and interpret data describing current economic conditions.
- Describe how economists measure output, prices, the labor market, savings and wealth and evaluate any shortcomings associated with these measures.
- Analyze how economies are linked to the rest of the world.
- Use simple macroeconomic models to explain the behavior of the macroeconomy and the relationships between macroeconomic variables such as inflation, aggregate demand, aggregate supply, the labor market, and economic growth.
- Explain how and why governments implement fiscal and monetary policies, and their roles in economic stabilization, and policies to achieve higher growth rates.
- Identify the main macroeconomic policy issues of the 21st century and appreciate the debates associated with alternative policy advice

Text Book

T1. Froyen, T. Richard (2014). *Macroeconomics: Theory and Policies*. Pearson (10th edition).

Reference Books

R1. Abel, A. B., Bernanke, B. S. & Croushore, D. (2023). *Macroeconomics*. Pearson (11th edition, Global Edition).

R2: Snowdon, B., & Vane, H. R. (2005). *Modern Macroeconomics: Its origins, development and current state*. Edward Elgar Publishing.

R3: Class notes (Research Papers; Case Studies; Newspaper Articles etc.)

Course Plan:

Lecture No.	Learning objectives	Topics to be covered	Ref.*Ch./Sec.# (Book)
I	Introduction		
1-2	Introduction	Macroeconomics: Scope, Methods, and Motivation	Ch. 1 (T1), Class Notes
II	Classical Economics & the Keynesian Revolution		
3-5	Classical Economics - I	Determining equilibrium output; Classical Models of employment & wages	Ch. 3 (T1), Class Notes
5-7	Classical Economics - II	Money, prices and interest rate determination in the classical framework	Ch. 4 (T1), Class Notes
8-11	Keynesian Economics - I	The role of aggregate demand; Models of Income Determination, Components of Aggregate Demand	Ch. 5 (T1), Class Notes
12-16	The Keynesian System – II & III	Determination of money, interest, and income; The IS-LM model; The fiscal and monetary policy effects in the IS-LM model; Real World application of the IS-LM model	Ch. 6-7 (T1), Ch. 19 (R1), Class Notes
17-20	The Keynesian System - IV	Determining aggregate demand and aggregate supply; Labour market in the Keynesian System	Ch. 8 (T1), Ch. 11 (R2), Class Notes
III	Macroeconomic Theory after Keynes		
21-22	Keynesian Orthodoxy Challenged	Monetarist Models	Ch. 9 (T1), Class Notes
24-25	Policy Dilemma	Output, Inflation, & Unemployment	Ch. 10 (T1), Ch 12 (R1), Class Notes
26-28	Skepticism about	New Classical Models	Ch. 11 (T1), Class

	Stabilization Policy		Notes
29-32	Macroeconomic Dynamics	Real Business Cycle Model and New Keynesian Economics	Ch. 12 (T1), Class Notes
IV	Open Economy Macroeconomics		
33-35	Open Economy	Exchange rates and International Monetary fund	Ch. 14 (T1), Class Notes
36-38	Monetary & Fiscal Policy in Open Economy	Monetary & Fiscal Policy in an Open Economy	Ch. 15, (T1), Class Notes
V	Economic Policy		
39-40	Stabilization Policy and Macroeconomic Policy in 21 st Century	Role of Fiscal and Monetary Policy in Stabilizing Output	Ch. 16-18 (T1), Class Notes

Learning Outcomes

Module I: Introduction & Measurement

It is expected that after completing this module, the student should be able to summarize the primary issues addressed in Macroeconomics, describe the activities and objectives of Macroeconomists.

Module II: Classical Economics & the Keynesian Revolution

It is expected that after completing this module, the student should be able to discuss the production function properties and changes, describe factors that affect the demand for and supply of labour, identify the factors that affect labour market equilibrium, describe the factors that affect consumption and saving decisions in Classical and Keynesian system, discuss the factors that affect the investment behavior of firms in Classical and Keynesian system, explain the factors affecting the goods market equilibrium, explain various versions of the quantity theory of money equations, the classical aggregate demand curve and the determination of interest rate in Classical and Keynesian systems and policy implications of change in determining factors, discuss the Keynesian system of aggregate demand, money, interest and price determination, analyze the policy implications of change in variables in Keynesian system, discuss the derivation of IS-LM framework and analyze policies using IS-LM framework.

Module III: Macroeconomic Theory after Keynes

After completing this module, the student is expected to be able to understand and discuss various reformulations of the quantity theory of money, discuss monetarist models and analyze policy effects under these assumptions, understand alternative explanations of output, inflation and unemployment, discuss various models of new Keynesian and new Classical macroeconomics and analyze policy implications therein.

Module IV: Open Economy Macroeconomics

After completing this module, the student should be able to describe the real and nominal exchange rates, how they are related, and how they change over time, explain the determination of exchange rate using a supply and demand framework, use the relationship between exchange rates and international trade to develop an open economy IS-LM model, discuss and analyze the international effects of domestic macroeconomic policies, and evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of different types of exchange rate systems.

Module V: Economic Policy

It is expected that after completing this module, the student should be able to discuss monetary policy making process, understand various views of fiscal policy making and goals.

Evaluation Scheme

Components	Weightage (%)	Duration (Minutes)	Nature	Date of Evaluation
Mid-Semester Exam	30%	90	CB	11/03 - 2.00 - 3.30PM
Surprised/Announced Quizzes (2-3)	15%	TBA	CB	TBA
Class Participation	5%	NA	NA	NA
Group Presentation/Assignment	10%	NA	OB	TBA
Comprehensive Exam.	40%	180	OB (20%) and CB (20%)	07/05 FN

Chamber Consultation Hour: TBA

Notices shall be displayed on only CMS.

Make-up policy: Make-up will be given only on Doctor's/Warden's recommendation and with prior (at least 01 day before the test/exam) permission of the Instructor-in-Charge/Instructor.

Academic Honesty and Integrity Policy: Academic honesty and integrity are to be maintained by all the students throughout the semester and no type of academic dishonesty is acceptable.

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