

Core Economics Course 9: INTERMEDIATE MACROECONOMICS - II

Course Code: Course Code: IGECO-C402

Credits: 06

Course Description

This course is a sequel to Intermediate Macroeconomics I. In this course, the students are introduced to the long run dynamic issues like growth and technical progress. It also provides the micro-foundations to the various aggregative concepts used in the previous course.

Course Outline

Unit 1. Economic Growth

Harrod-Domar model; Solow model; technological progress and elements of endogenous growth.

Unit 2. Microeconomic Foundations

Consumption: Keynesian consumption function; life-cycle and permanent income hypotheses; rational expectations. Investment: determinants of business fixed investment; residential investment and inventory investment.

Unit 3. Fiscal and Monetary Policy

Monetary policy: objectives, targets and instruments; rules versus discretion; the government budget constraint; government debt and Ricardian equivalence.

Unit 4. Schools of Macroeconomic Thoughts

Classicals; Keynesians; New-Classicals and New-Keynesians.

Unit 5. Tutorial 1

- a) Group discussion: different topics related to course content
- b) Presentations: different topics related to course content
- c) Class test

Unit 6. Tutorial 2

- a) Home Assignment
- b) Viva Voce

Readings:

- 1. Dornbusch, Fischer and Startz, Macroeconomics, McGraw Hill, 11th edition, 2010.
- 2. N. Gregory Mankiw. Macroeconomics, Worth Publishers, 7th edition, 2010.
- 3. Olivier Blanchard, Macroeconomics, Pearson Education, Inc., 5th edition, 2009.
- 4. Charles I. Jones, Introduction to Economic Growth, W.W. Norton & Company, 2nd edition, 2002.
- 5. Andrew B. Abel and Ben S. Bernanke, Macroeconomics, Pearson Education, Inc., 7th edition, 2011.
- 6. Errol. D'Souza, Macroeconomics, Pearson Education, 2009.
- 7. Robert J. Gordon, Macroeconomics, Prentice-Hall India Limited, 2011.

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