

For those taking the core macro exam in Trinity 2023

The 2022 second year macro lectures will serve as the basis for the Finals macro exam in Trinity term 2023.

Lectures in Hilary 2022

The 2022 lecture content will be similar to that from Hilary term 2021. There will be 3 lectures per week in weeks 1-7, with the exceptions that week 3 will have just 2 lectures and week 6 will have 4 lectures. There will not be any lectures in week 8. Please see the lecture list for further details including times and venues (at present it is hoped that all Monday and Tuesday lectures will be in-person in the Exam Schools, with Wednesday and Thursday lectures taking place on Zoom). All lectures will be recorded and made available shortly after the lecture takes place. Please note that in some weeks there are introductory videos that you must watch in advance of the first in person lecture that week. Please see the week by week lecture guide on this Canvas page and make sure that you have viewed the introductory video for a given week before 11am on the Monday morning of that week.

Exam arrangements and past papers

In Hilary 2015 the lectures for most topics changed, so when consulting past papers it is best to focus on those from 2015 onwards. Note that from 2016 onwards all part A questions must be answered (until 2015 there was a choice of 3 from 5). Additionally, from 2019 onwards the weights for the two parts of the exam will be 40% for part A and 60% for part B. The specimen paper available on the canvas course page reflects the new weightings. Finally, note that from 2021 onwards part B of the exam will contain 5 essay titles. There were 6 essay titles in papers up to and including Trinity 2020. The small reduction in the number of questions will mean that the lectures on monetary policy in a closed economy by Chris Bowdler will be covered by one part B question from 2021 onwards, not two part B questions as in years up to and including 2020.

Weekly reading lists and worksheets

The version of the course to be taught in Hilary 2022 is accompanied by 7 topic specific reading lists. The correspondence between the topic reading lists and the lectures is as follows:

Reading list	Lectures
1 - Monetary Policy	Lectures in week 1 and first lecture from week 2
2 - Sticky Price Models	Lectures in week 2 excluding the first lecture
3 - Macro at the ZLB	Lectures in week 3
4 - Open Economy Macro	Lectures in week 4
5 - Economic Growth	Lectures in week 5
6 - Inter-temporal Macro	Lectures in week 6
7 - Debt and Fiscal Policy	Lectures in week 7

A suggested tutorial worksheet is provided for each of the 7 topics covered by the reading lists. Note that these worksheets and reading lists are suggestions only and that individual tutors may use them only in part, or not at all. If your tutor chooses to use these materials then they will tell you what will be covered in the eighth tutorial given that only 7 topics are specified above.

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