

Syllabus: Seminar on Macroeconomics

Spring 2026

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Course Overview

- Course website: <https://huijunchen9260.github.io/PhDMacroSpring2026.html>
- Meeting Time: Wednesday 10:10 - 13:00 (W34n)
- Location: TSMC Building 732
- Office: TSMC Building 729-B
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- Please do not hesitate to email me and set an appointment outside of regular office hour. To get quicker email reply, I would prefer you to:
 1. Use [Macro] at the beginning of your subject title.
 - example title: [Macro] Question regarding Extra credit
- I will reply your email within *2 business day*.
- Office hour: By appointment
- Teaching Assistant: Chong Yue Huang
- TA Office hour: TBD

Grades

Categories	Points
Midterm Exam I	30 points
Midterm Exam II	30 points
Final Exam	30 points
Attendance	10 points
Total	100 points

See course schedule, below, for due dates

Grading Policy

Examinations Integrity Policies

Examinations: Discussions are **forbidden**, either face to face or via online discussion board / Social media.

If I get 80% response rate on SEI by the end of the semester, everyone will get 2 points of extra credits.

Curving

If less than 40% of the students get A- or above, I will add some points to everybody until 40% of the students get A- or above, but I don't expect this to occur.

Attendance

If there are more than 50% of students attend the class, then I will not take attendance. If I have not taken attendance until the end of semester, then every students will be granted the entirety of the attendance points. If I start to take attendance, then I will spread 5 to 10 attendance check across the rest of the semester, and the attendance points will be recorded accordingly.

Tentative Course Schedule

Week	Day	Topics and Readings
1	2/25	Topic: Introduction and Dynamic Programming
2	3/4	Topic: One-side Labor Search Model
3	3/11	Topic: Two-side Labor Search Model
4	3/18	Topic: Lucas Asset Pricing: Endowment Economy
5	3/25	Topic: Lucas Asset Pricing: Production Economy
6	4/1	Midterm I
7	4/8	Midterm Recap Topic: Real Business Cycle Model I
8	4/15	Topic: Real Business Cycle Model II
9	4/22	Topic: Endogenous Growth Model I
10	4/29	Topic: Endogenous Growth Model II
11	5/6	Midterm II
12	5/13	Midterm Recap Topic: Heterogeneous Agent Model I
13	5/20	Topic: Heterogeneous Agent Model II
14	5/27	Topic: Heterogeneous Agent Model III
15	6/3	Topic: Heterogeneous Agent Model IV Final Review
16	6/10	Final Exam

Grading scale

See <https://registra.site.nthu.edu.tw/var/file/211/1211/img/609/grade-plan.pdf> for NTHU definition.