

## **Economics 2105 Principles of Macroeconomics**

**Fall 2010**

**Class:** Tuesday and Thursday, 4:35 PM until 5:55 PM  
Instructional Center 109

**Instructor:** Dr. Derek Tittle

**Text:** Macroeconomics by Krugman and Wells, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition

**Office Hours:** By Appointment using [advising.gatech.edu](mailto:advising.gatech.edu) or between 12:30 PM and 1:30 PM Tuesdays through Fridays.

### **Learning Goals:**

Student will demonstrate the ability to describe the social, political, and economic forces that influence social behavior.

The student should demonstrate the ability to analyze economic phenomenon with Clarity, Accuracy, Precision, Relevance, Depth, Breadth, and Logic.

Critical thinking is defined as systematically analyzing and questioning information in a manner that identifies and evaluates problems, processes, values, assumptions, and arguments in order to reach understanding, determine solutions, and initiate actions.

### **Daily Schedule:**

I will lecture one day a week and we will have a quiz once a week.

You will have practice homework the night before the lecture and graded homework due 6 PM the night after the lecture.

**Grading:**

I will utilize thirteen multiple-choice quizzes and weekly homework to evaluate your grasp of the material. The quizzes will not be cumulative.

Each multiple-choice quiz will cover only the material presented during the previous lecture.

Each multiple-choice quiz contains 35 questions.

I will assign you practice homework on EconPortal due 11:55 PM the night before the lecture covering the same material. You must read the text in order to get the answers correct. I will award you points based on how many questions you attempt, not how many you get correct.

Each practice homework assignment counts equally. Your practice homework contributes towards your course grade with the same weighting as a quiz.

I will assign you graded homework on EconPortal due 6 PM the night after the lecture over the same material. I will award you points based on the questions you get correct.

Each homework assignment counts equally. Your homework contributes towards your course grade with the same weighting as an quiz.

I will drop the lowest three of your sixteen grades (fourteen quizzes, your practice homework average, and your graded homework average).

Quiz 1

Quiz 2

Quiz 3

Quiz 4

Quiz 5

Quiz 6

Quiz 7

Quiz 8

Quiz 9

Quiz 10

Quiz 11

Quiz 12

Quiz 13

Pre-lecture homework average

+Post lecture homework average

**Total Points**

- Lowest Grade

- Second lowest grade

- Third lowest grade

**Net Total Points**

**Grade = Net Total Points / 12**

In order for the last two quizzes to be eligible for one of the three drops, you must attend the previous lecture.

I will offer you an option of a cumulative final. It counts as an additional quiz making the total number of grades prior to drop 17. You will not get another dropped quiz as well.

The cumulative final will have 20 questions from each of the chapters we covered during the semester.

I reserve the authority to change the syllabus to match the learning requirements of the class as a whole.