

# ECON 201 0020: Principles of Macroeconomics

University of Missouri - Kansas City

Spring Semester 2025



## **1 Instructor Information**

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## **2 Course Details**

- Course: ECON 201
- Credit Hours: 3
- Meeting Location: INTERNET
- Modality: DA

## **3 Course Description**

Principles of Macroeconomics deals primarily with macroeconomic or national economic concepts, the economics of the determination of recession, inflation, maintenance of full employment and economic growth, with an emphasis upon the economics of modern Keynesian analyses. It further introduces the economics of Marx and Ayres and discusses relevant and current economic issues. ECON 201 and ECON 202 are prerequisites for most other economics courses.

## **4 Attendance Verification**

Maintaining accurate enrollment records throughout the term is a partnership between instructors and students. Instructors are responsible for verifying student attendance and participation within the first three weeks (16 week course) through the Attendance Verification Survey (administered through UMKC Connect) as well as maintain records of participation throughout the term so that the last date of attendance for students with recorded "F" or "W" final grades may be submitted. Because student plans for enrollment sometimes change prior to the semester start, students not engaging in courses through the initial weeks of each course may be administratively dropped. Visit the undergraduate catalog for more detailed information regarding the policy.

## **5 Recording Class Sessions**

Students are not permitted to record class sessions without written consent from the course instructor. Contact your instructor to request permission. Instructor(s) may record class sessions for the sole purpose of sharing the recording with students who can't attend class. Instructor(s) will take care not to disclose personally identifiable information from the student education records during the recorded lesson.

## **6 Recommended Technology**

You will need access to the computing resources necessary to complete this course through personal and/or University channels (e.g., computer labs). Our course will take place within the Canvas LMS and utilizing various software technologies that facilitate interaction and communication. Below is a list of some helpful computer requirements for full participation in this class:

- The latest version of Adobe Reader
- A current version of word processing software
- A headset with microphone
- A webcam
- Google Chrome, Firefox, or Edge for Windows computers
- Google Chrome, Firefox, or Safari for Apple computers

Broadband Internet connection is preferred. Examples of broadband Internet connection are high-speed DSL or a Cable modem.

## **7 Required Materials**

- Title: Principles of Macroeconomics
- ISBN: 9780135162163

- Authors: Karl E. Case, Ray C. Fair & Sharon E. Oster
- Publisher: Pearson
- Publication Date: 2020
- Edition: 13th

## 8 Evaluation and Grading

The evaluation scheme will consist of three main components:

1. Weekly Reports (15 \* 2 points): You will prepare a report each week summarizing what you learned in each module. This report should list the topics covered that week and provide a brief summary, particularly highlighting the mechanisms involved.
2. Weekly Problems (15 \* 3 points): Each week, you will complete problems based on the material covered in class. These problems will primarily involve numerical questions related to solving for key macroeconomic variables.
3. Midterm Exam (15 points): There will be a timed midterm exam around the 8th week of the semester. This exam will cover all the material presented up to that point.
4. Final Presentation (10 points): You will prepare a set of slides for a presentation on a question that encompasses the material covered throughout the semester. The specific question will be provided to you at a later date.

Percentage of Points Earned	Letter Grade Earned
93-100%	A
90-92%	A-
87-89%	B+
83-86%	B
80-82%	B-
77-79%	C+
73-76%	C
70-72%	C-
67-69%	D+
63-66%	D
60-62%	D-
0-59%	F

<b>Date</b>	<b>Assignment Name</b>	<b>Assignment Type</b>	<b>Points</b>
1/20/2025 - 1/26/2025	What is Economics? Chapter 1, Weekly Report	Discussion Weekly Report	2 2
1/27/2025 - 2/2/2025	Assignment II Chapter 2 & 3, Weekly Report	Assignment Weekly Report	3 2
2/3/2025 - 2/9/2025	What is Macroeconomics? Assignment - III Chapter 5, Weekly Report	Discussion Assignment Weekly Report	1 2 2
2/10/2025 - 2/16/2025	Assignment - IV Chapter 6 & 7, Weekly Report	Assignment Weekly Report	3 2
2/17/2025 - 2/23/2025	Assignment - V Chapter 8 - Part (I), Weekly Report	Assignment Weekly Report	3 2
2/24/2025 - 3/2/2025	Assignment - VI Chapter 8 - Part (II), Weekly Report	Assignment Weekly Report	3 2
3/3/2025 - 3/9/2025	Assignment - VII Chapter 9, Weekly Report	Assignment Weekly Report	3 2
3/9/2025	Midterm Exam	Exam	15
3/17/2025 - 3/23/2025	Assignment - VIII Chapter 10, Weekly Report	Assignment Weekly Report	3 2
3/31/2025 - 4/6/2025	Assignment - IX Chapter 11, Weekly Report	Assignment Weekly Report	3 2
4/7/2025 - 4/13/2025	Assignment - X Chapter 12, Weekly Report	Assignment Weekly Report	3 2
4/14/2025 - 4/20/2025	Assignment - XI Chapter 13, Weekly Report	Assignment Weekly Report	3 2
4/21/2025 - 4/27/2025	Assignment - XII Chapter 16, Weekly Report	Assignment Weekly Report	3 2
4/28/2025 - 5/4/2025	Assignment - XIII Chapter 21, Weekly Report	Assignment Weekly Report	3 2
TBA	Presentation	Presentation	20

## Academic Calendar

Students are encouraged to review important add, drop or withdraw dates in the UMKC Academic Calendar site.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Description</b>
January 21	Classes Begin (full 16-week session and first 8-week session)
January 27	Last day to add courses without an instructor signature (full 16-week session)
January 27	Last day to change a course from audit to credit (full 16-week session)
January 27	Last day for a 100% refund (full 16-week session)
January 27	Last day to register without paying late registration fee

February 17	Last day to drop a course and not have it appear on your transcript (full 16-week session)
February 17	Last day for a 50% refund (full 16-week session)
February 17	Last day to change a course from Credit to Audit (undergraduate - full 16-week session)
March 14	Last day for a 25% refund (full 16-week session)
March 14	Last day to withdraw with a "W" (graduate/professional - full 16-week session)
March 24	Spring Break
March 31	Deadline to apply for Spring 2025 graduation
April 7	Fall 2025 Priority Registration Begins
April 18	Last day to withdraw with a "W" (undergraduate - full 16-week session)
April 28	Fall 2025 Open Registration Begins
May 5	Finals Week (Law - full 16-week session)
May 8	School of Humanities and Social Sciences Reading Days
May 9	School of Humanities and Social Sciences Reading Days
May 9	Last day to withdraw with a "W" or "WF" (graduate/professional - full 16-week session)
May 9	Last day of classes (full 16-week session)
May 9	Finals Week (Law - full 16-week session)
May 12	Finals Week (All Academic Units, except Law - full 16-week session)
May 12	Finals Week (Law - full 16-week session)

Table 1: Spring 2025 Academic Schedule

## 9 University Policies

### Academic Integrity

The Board of Curators of the University of Missouri recognizes that academic honesty is essential for the intellectual life of the University. Faculty members have a special obligation to expect high standards of academic honesty in all student work. Students have a special obligation to adhere to such standards. Academic dishonesty, including cheating, plagiarism unauthorized use of artificially generated content or sabotage, is adjudicated through the University of Missouri Student Conduct Code and Rules of Procedures in Student Conduct Matters.

## **Academic Support and Mentoring**

The department of Academic Support and Mentoring (ASM) offers a wide range of services and programs to help students meet their academic goals. ASM offers peer tutoring, writing and presentation assistance, SI study groups, instructional videos and many more resources that are valuable to your success in this class. Information can be found on the ASM website. You can use RooLearning+ for scheduling appointments and viewing when support for this class is available. Access RooLearning+ by downloading the app from the App Store (Apple) or Google Play (Android) and sign in with your SSO. The URL for the RooLearning+ site is [umkc.tedu.app/student](https://umkc.tedu.app/student).

## **Attendance Policy**

Students are expected to attend and participate in classes as indicated by the course modality (Classroom based, Online, etc. available on Pathway). For more information on UMKC course modalities, please visit the Registrar's page.

In order to comply with federal regulations associated with eligibility rules for federal financial aid, students not attending/participating a course during the first three weeks of the term will be administratively dropped from the specific course. Advance notice of attendance policies of academic units and individual instructors should be given, and such notice should be in writing. Students should notify instructors of excused absences in advance, where possible. Students who have an excused absence are expected to make arrangements with instructors for alternative or make-up work. Such arrangements should be made in advance of the absence, where possible. Instructors should accommodate excused absences to the extent that an accommodation can be made that does not unreasonably interfere with the learning objectives of the course or unduly burden the instructor. Attendance policies shall be applied in a non-discriminatory manner. Enrollment as a student is required to attend any class unless otherwise pre-approved by the instructor. Instructors are responsible for verifying student attendance and participation within the first three weeks (16 week course) through the Attendance Verification Survey (administered through UMKC Connect) as well as maintain records of participation throughout the term so that the last date of attendance for students with recorded "F" or "W" final grades may be submitted.

## **Campus Safety**

Inclement weather, mass notification, and emergency response guide can be found on the UMKC Alert page

## **UMKC Connect**

Important information is available to undergraduate students in UMKC Connect a central location for faculty, advisors, student services and students to communicate and collaborate on a strategic plan for each student's academic success. Throughout the

term, students may receive emails regarding course grades or academic performance. Students should regularly check their Connect dashboard and are expected to address information posted in a timely manner. This information may be shared with the student's Success Network made up of his or her academic advisor(s) and other campus resources so that UMKC may fully support the student's success. Students may schedule appointments to meet with members of their Success Network through UMKC Connect.

## **Grade Appeal Policy**

The University grade appeal procedure is available only for the review of allegedly capricious grading and not for review of the instructor's evaluation of the student's academic performance. Capricious grading, as that term is used here, comprises any of the following:

- The assignment of a grade to a particular student on some basis other than the performance in the course;
- The assignment of a grade to a particular student according to more exacting or demanding standards than were applied to other students in the course; (Note: Additional or different grading criteria may be applied to graduate students enrolled for graduate credit in 300- and 400-level courses.)
- The assignment of a grade by a substantial departure from the instructor's previously announced standards

## **Student Accessibility Services and Accommodations**

To obtain disability related accommodations and/or auxiliary aids, students with disabilities must contact Student Accessibility Services as soon as possible by calling 816-235-5612. Once verified, our office will notify the course instructor and outline the accommodation and/or auxiliary aids to be provided. You are also welcomed to contact the Student Accessibility Services office via email at [disability@umkc.edu](mailto:disability@umkc.edu).

## **Counseling Services and Student Health & Wellness**

UMKC students may experience many challenges in their lives while attending college – stress, depression, suicidality, trauma, relationship issues, health concerns, etc. As an institution, we care about your success and well-being, and want to make you aware of some helpful resources on campus. UMKC Counseling Services, located at Brookside 51 Building, 5110 Oak Street, Suite 201, offers a wide range of supportive services to students. Appointments can be made by calling 816-235-1635. UMKC Student Health and Wellness, located at Brookside 51 Building, 5110 Oak Street, Suite 201, offers a full range of supportive services to students. Appointments can be made by calling 816-235-1635.

UMKC Student Health and Wellness , located at Brookside 51 Building, 5110 Oak Street, Suite 237, offers a full range of health care and promotion services. Appointments can be scheduled online or by calling 816-235-6133.

The MindBody Connection is located in the Student Union, 3rd floor, room 303G & 303H. The MindBody Connection provides space for students to learn how to relieve stress and learn more about mindfulness. Featuring massage chairs, art supplies, and a quiet space, the MindBody Connection is a great place for students to unwind and get back in touch with their minds and bodies and offers a variety of stress-reduction services.

Students are encouraged to review UMKC's Policy on Suicide Prevention Resources, which provides resources, referral information, and training opportunities to help recognize signs of distress in yourself and your peers as well as how to make appropriate referrals for support and assistance.

Students may contact the UMKC Student HelpLine (or call 816-235-2222) with any questions or concerns. Students may also utilize the Complaint Policy to file a complaint online.

## **Equal Opportunity & Educational Access**

UMKC is committed to providing equal opportunities to all students without unlawful discrimination on the basis of a protected identity, including race, color, national origin, ancestry, religion, sex, pregnancy, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, age, disability, protected veteran status, or any other status protected by applicable state or federal law.

Discrimination & Harassment: Compliance with UM System Collected Rules and Regulations (CRRs) 600.000 is monitored by the Office of Equity & Title IX , but it is the responsibility of the entire university community to provide equal opportunity through relevant practices, initiatives, and programs. If you or someone you know has experienced discrimination or harassment based on their protected identity, we encourage you to visit Making a Report.

CRR 600.010 prohibits protected identity discrimination and harassment. It also prohibits sexual harassment and sexual misconduct by a student, employee, volunteer, or visitor that is not covered under CRR 600.020 and Title IX (see below), that occurs within a UMKC educational program or activity, on- or off-campus, including when the conduct occurs offcampus and interferes with or limits the ability of any person to participate in or benefit from UMKC's educational programs or activities or employment. For those who have experienced discrimination or harassment, please see the Support and Connections pages of our Equity & Title IX website for a list of campus and community support services.

Sexual Harassment under Title IX: UM System Collected Rules and Regulations (CRRs) 600.020 prohibits all students, employees, volunteers, and visitors from engaging in



sexual harassment, including sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, and stalking, in a university education program or activity against a person in the United States. If you or someone you know has experienced sexual harassment, please visit the Support and Connection pages of our Equity & Title IX website for a list of support services on campus and in the community. For information on how to make a report to the university, visit Making a Report.

**Failure to Accommodate Students with Disabilities:** UM System Collected Rules and Regulations (CRRs) 600.010 prohibits discrimination against students with disabilities and ensures these students receive educational accommodations as issued by Student Disability Services. If you believe an employee of the university has failed to accommodate your disability, visit Making a Report or contact the Office of Equity and Title IX at (816) 235-1771 or eqtix@umkc.edu.

**Accommodating Pregnancy & Related Conditions:** UMKC provides reasonable accommodations to students related to pregnancy and childbirth, including adjustments to attendance requirements, course due dates, leaves of absence, and other accommodations. If you have questions or would like to request arrangements, please visit Pregnancy & Related Accommodations or contact the Office of Equity & Title IX at (816) 235-1771 or eqtix@umkc.edu.

Nearly all UMKC employees, including your course instructors, advisors, and other support staff, are required to report all information related to any known or suspected discrimination, harassment, or sexual misconduct to the Office of Equity & Title IX and cannot offer confidentiality. However, students may seek confidential support from RISE: Resources, Intervention, Support, & Education, Counseling Services, and Student Health & Wellness.

Employees of these offices are exempt from mandated reporting so long as the disclosure of prohibited conduct occurs in a confidential communication while they are acting as support advocates, professional counselors, or medical personnel. An exemption does not extend to these employees when the disclosure is made in non-confidential setting. If you have a question about confidentiality when making a disclosure to RISE, Counseling Services, or Student Health & Wellness, you should first ask whether the exemption applies.

## **Right to Free Expression**

It is vitally important for UMKC to foster and maintain an educational environment that promotes free discussion, inquiry and expression by students inside the classroom and beyond, without fear that their exercise of such rights will have negative repercussions in areas over which the university has responsibility. It is equally important that students understand the narrow line separating their First Amendment rights and the legal and privacy rights of others so that students can exercise those rights within appropriate boundaries.

Per UM System Collected Rules and Regulations (CRRs) 200.015 your instructors

should encourage free discussion, inquiry, and expression in courses, conferences and meetings. Student performance shall be evaluated solely on an academic basis, not on opinions or conduct in matters unrelated to academic standards.

**Classroom Expectations:** In exercising your right to free expression, UMKC requests students adhere to these five guidelines:

- Share responsibility for including all voices in the conversation, leaving sufficient time for others to engage in the discussion. Listen respectfully, avoiding interruptions or distractions.
- Recognize how your own identity and experiences inform your opinions and reactions to others. Be open to changing your perspectives when exposed to the ideas of others
- Speak with care, acknowledging that your words may be perceived as disrespectful, marginalizing, biased, or harmful.
- Understand that everyone makes mistakes; view these mistakes as valuable in the learning process. Notice your own defensive reactions, and channel them into furthering a productive discussion
- Differentiate between safety and comfort; accept discomfort as necessary for learning and exploring ideas through a social justice lens.

Although your right to free expression is protected, your instructors have the authority to take action under CRR 200.010 when they believe the conduct of any student unreasonably disrupts the classroom environment and prevents others from learning or threatens or endangers the health or safety of any person. If you feel your instructor was in error in taking action under CRR 200.010 related to your right to free expression, visit Making a Report.

## **Expressions of Perceived Bias**

UMKC is committed to equity, diversity, inclusion and respectful interaction. In support of our campus community, the university provides the opportunity for students, employees, volunteers, and visitors to report expressions of perceived bias and to request UMKC respond to such expressions.

An expression of perceived bias may occur when someone believes that they have been subjected to harassment, bullying, stereotyping, microaggressions, abuse, marginalization, or any other form of targeted misconduct because they identify or are associated with a particular group. If you believe you have experienced an expression of bias or you become aware of such an expression, visit Making a Report. Support: If the conduct of others prevents you from fully participating in the classroom or in university activities, UMKC offers confidential support through Counseling Services and RISE: Resources, Intervention, Support, & Education. Additional campus and community support services are listed on the Support and Connections pages of our Equity & Title IX website.