

Department of Economics

**ECON 110 – Principles of Macroeconomics (ZA)**

Spring 2011

Class Schedule: MW 5:30-7:55 PM  
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**Final Exam: March 9<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday, IN CLASS****Course Description**

Macroeconomics is the study of the economy as a whole. Topics of macroeconomics include GDP, inflation, unemployment, and economic growth. In this class you will learn basic facts about these terms, and more importantly, economists' views and analyses on these subjects.

**Textbook**

- R. Glenn Hubbard and Anthony Patrick O'Brien, "Macroeconomics", 3<sup>rd</sup> edition. Prentice Hall, 2010.

**Optional Course Resources**

- Jim Lee, "Study Guide for Macroeconomics", Prentice Hall, 2010. ISBN: 978-0-13-602185-8.
- MyEconLab. Course ID: luo47117.
- Econ Dept. Help Session. Tuesday and Wednesday, 4:30-5:30 pm, Eisenhower 218.

**Study Advice**

I encourage group studies, but direct copying of homework answers from others is highly discouraged. Please keep in mind that such behavior not only violates the university's policy on Academic Honesty (see below), but also potentially makes your exam grades to be unsatisfactory.

**Homework Assignments and Exams**

There will be 6 homework assignments, each worth 30 points. Due dates are announced in the class schedule. All homework assignments are to be completed through K-State Online. NO LATE HOMEWORK WILL BE ACCEPTED. I will drop the lowest grade of homework in calculating your final grades.

There will be 1 mid-term exam and 1 final exam, each worth 100 points. FINAL EXAM IS COMPREHENSIVE. All exams are in class. I will hold additional office hours before every exam. No

review section will be given for mid-term exam but there will be an in-class review section before the final exam. Make-up exams will only be given with solid reasons. You have to notify me ahead to prove and schedule a make-up exam. General you can only make up an exam BEFORE the actually exam day.

There will be 4 unannounced pop quizzes during the semester, each worth 20 points. The lowest quiz will be dropped.

## **Grading**

Final grades are curved but in general the following rule applies:

- A: 90% or above (of total points), or top 10% (of whole class);
- B: 80% or above, or top 20%;
- C: 70% or above, or top 40%;
- D: 60% or above, or top 90%;
- F: Below 60%, or lowest 10%.

## **Attendance Policy**

Attending classes are not mandatory, but students are expected to attend all classes. Many researches by economists show high and positive relationships between class attendance and a student's final grade.

## **Course Outline**

1. January, 19 W: Chapter 1
2. January, 24 M: Chapter 2
3. January, 26 W: Chapter 3 & Homework 1 due
4. January, 31 M: Chapter 7
5. February, 2 W: Chapter 8 & Homework 2 due
6. February, 7 M: Chapter 9
7. February, 9 W: Chapter 10 & Homework 3 due
8. February, 14 M: Mid-term Exam
9. February, 16 W: Chapter 12 & Homework 4 due
10. February, 21 M: Chapter 13
11. February, 23 W: Chapter 4 & Homework 5 due
12. February, 28 M: Chapter 14
13. March, 2 W: Chapter 15 & Homework 6 due
14. March, 7 M: Review
15. March, 9 W Final Exam

**Classroom Policy**

You can walk out of the classroom anytime you want, but interrupting the class with a ringtone of cellphone and etc. is forbidden. In addition, no texting, no facebook/twitter during classes.

**Statement Regarding Academic Honesty**

Kansas State University has an Honor System based on personal integrity, which is presumed to be sufficient assurance that, in academic matters, one's work is performed honestly and without unauthorized assistance. Undergraduate and graduate students, by registration, acknowledge the jurisdiction of the Honor System. The policies and procedures of the Honor System apply to all full and part-time students enrolled in undergraduate and graduate courses on-campus, off-campus, and via distance learning. The honor system website can be reached via the following URL: [www.ksu.edu/honor](http://www.ksu.edu/honor). A component vital to the Honor System is the inclusion of the Honor Pledge which applies to all assignments, examinations, or other course work undertaken by students. The Honor Pledge is implied, whether or not it is stated: "On my honor, as a student, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid on this academic work." A grade of XF can result from a breach of academic honesty. The F indicates failure in the course; the X indicates the reason is an Honor Pledge violation.

**Statements for Academic Accommodations for Students with Disabilities**

Any student with a disability who needs a classroom accommodation, access to technology or other academic assistance in this course should contact Disability Support Services ([dss@k-state.edu](mailto:dss@k-state.edu)) and/or the instructor. DSS serves students with a wide range of disabilities including, but not limited to, physical disabilities, sensory impairments, learning disabilities, attention deficit disorder, depression, and anxiety.

**Statement Defining Expectations for Classroom Conduct**

All student activities in the University, including this course, are governed by the Student Judicial Conduct Code as outlined in the Student Governing Association By Laws, Article VI, Section 3, number 2. Students who engage in behavior that disrupts the learning environment may be asked to leave the class.