

ECON 2020-300
Principles of Macroeconomics
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Required Test

Principles of Macroeconomics, 4th Edition (2007) by N. Gregory Mankiw, Thomson Southwestern Publishers (ISBN: 0-324-42354-3).

Course Description

Economics is the study of how individuals, firms and the society allocate *scarce* resources among alternative uses to satisfy human wants, which are unlimited in nature. That is, economics studies the relationship between scarce resources and human unlimited wants. Macroeconomics, as a branch of economics, studies the economy-wide phenomena. That is, it deals with the behavior of the economy as a whole.

This Principles of Macroeconomic course is intended to introduce you to the basic concepts of Macroeconomics. It provides an overview of the economy, examining the flows of resources and outputs and the factors determining the levels of income and prices. It explores policy problems of inflation, unemployment, and economic growth.

Note: Students may not receive credit for ECON 2020 if they have received credit for ECON 1000 or ECON 1001.

Recitation

Attending recitations is mandatory. Your TA will discuss with you how he/she intends to structure recitation and his/her grading policy. But generally, your TA will go over difficult materials we cover in class and will also give you practice problems and examples. Recitations begin in the second week.

Course Outline

I will try as much as possible to follow the following schedule. However, there may be at times that we will move faster or slower than what the schedule says.

Week

religious holiday(s), notify me within the first two weeks of classes so that I can accommodate you as reasonably as I can in accordance with the above stated policy.

Code of Behavior

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See policies at

<http://www.colorado.edu/policies/classbehavior.html> and at

http://www.colorado.edu/studentaffairs/judicialaffairs/code.html#student_code

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