

ECON 3080 Sec. 002 MWF 1:00 - 1:50 PM Room: CLUB 4
Subject to Change

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Office Hours: W 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM, F 9:00 - 10:00 AM, and by appointment.

Textbook:

Required: Charles I. Jones. Macroeconomics, W. W. Norton & Company Second or third edition are fine, but I recommend third. DO NOT get first.

Recommended: I highly recommend you read a reputable news source daily. The Wall Street

Lectures:

Attendance of the first three classes is mandatory, and non-attendance may result in being administratively dropped from the course.

In some cases lecture will extend beyond the content of the textbook, so it is strongly encouraged you attend lecture. My lecture notes will not be available, so if you do miss a class you should plan on getting notes from a classmate. Lectures are intended to cover material from the book and connect the concepts to real world examples, providing additional in class practice when appropriate.

Grade Policy:

There will be 5 components of your final grade.

Midterm 1 20%

Midterm 2 20%

Final 30%

Homework 15%

Presentation 15%

Exams:

The midterm exams will not be cumulative beyond the cumulative nature of the material. The final is cumulative, but focuses on the final portion of class. I do not give make-up exams nor do I give exams early/late. Any unexcused absence on an exam day will result in the final exam being re-weighted to include the midterm missed. Finally, no cell phone or graphing calculators are permitted for exams. Please bring a basic calculator or be prepared to do calculations with pen and paper.

If you have three or more final exams scheduled on the same day, you are entitled to arrange an alternative exam time for the last exam or exams scheduled on that day. Also, if you have two final exams scheduled to meet at the same time you are entitled to arrange an alternative examination time for the later course. To qualify for rescheduling final exam times, you must provide evidence that you have three or more exams on the same day or two exams meeting at the same time, and arrangements must be made with your instructor no later than the late drop deadline (10th Week).

Homework:

Over the semester there will be 4 problem sets due. No late assignments will be accepted and no assignment will be dropped from your grade. I will post the 4 problem sets on D2L. A hard copy is due at the beginning of class on the given date. They are intended to apply the theory and concepts from the textbook and lecture and help prepare you for the exams. I encourage you to work in small groups on these assignments, though I require everyone to turn in their own copy. Each problem set will make up 3.75% of your overall grade.

Presentations:

These will be completed in small groups assigned randomly by me, and will act both to help you review for the final exam and to help you apply the skills you've learned throughout the semester to a more "real-world" setting and current events topics. A full rubric will be posted on D2L. Details to follow.

Tentative Course Outline:

Due dates and exam dates are firm. Topic coverage is subject to change.

Week #	Topic(s)	Chapter(s)
Week 1	Intro to Macro	1, 2, 3
Week 2	Production, Growth & Solow	4
Week 3	Solow	5
Week 4	Romer	6
Week 5	Romer, Solow-Romer	6
Week 6	Labor, Exam 1	7
Week 7	Inflation, The Short Run & The IS Curve	8, 9, 11
Week 8	Monetary Policy & The Phillips Curve	12
Week 9	The Great Recession & IS-MP topics	10, 14
Week 10	Exchange Rates	20
Week 11	Consumption	16
Week 12	Open Economies & Government	18, 19, 17
Week 13	Government & Exam 2	17
Week 14	NO CLASS FALL BREAK	
Week 15	Review	
Week 16	Presentations	
	Final in CLUB 4	

Problem Set Due Dates:

PS1 due Sept. 16 Week 4
PS2 due Sept. 28 Week 6
PS3 due Oct. 28 Week 10
PS4 due Nov. 14 Week 13

Exam Dates:

Exam 1 Sept. 30 Week 6
Exam 2 Nov. 16 Week 13
Final Exam Mon. Dec. 12 4:30-7 PM

Office Hours:

These are for your benefit, please take advantage of them. It is an excellent opportunity to get individual or small group help to clarify concepts from class. If my office hours do not work for you due to another class or work, please email me and we can arrange a time to meet.

Email:

Please use email wisely. I will do my best to respond to emails in a timely fashion, usually less than 24 hours- I will not respond out of regular business hours (M-F 8-5). If your question has to do with clarification, it may be difficult to explain fully over email, so I will suggest coming to office hours. If I feel the entire class could benefit from the clarification, I will do so in lecture. Finally, I will be hesitant to answer emails which ask something administrative which is included on the syllabus, i.e. "When is the exam?", or "Are any assignments dropped?"

Extra Help:

Do not hesitate to come to my office during office hours or by appointment to discuss a homework problem or any aspect of the course. You also may want to consider the free tutoring lab offered by the department. Once the tutoring schedule is posted, I will email the class, and post to D2L.

If you want to hire an outsider tutor (for a fee), you can find a list of such people through the department website. Once the list is published, I will send this information via email and post on D2L.

Important Dates:

Drop Deadline	Oct. 28
First Exam	Sept. 30
Second Exam	Nov. 16
Final Exam Rescheduling	Oct. 28
Final Exam	Dec. 12

Tips for Success:

Things that I think generally help you do well in my class:

- 1) Read the book chapter before class. This will greatly increase what you get out of lecture, and improve recollection of the material for the exam.
- 2) Skim the book chapter again after class. Recall the concepts which seemed difficult prior to class, those that are still difficult, and those that seem easy.
- 3) Do the homework as we cover the material in class. Do not wait until the day/day before it is due. If you work as we go, the homework will naturally build from lecture materials, and won't take as long as if you wait to tackle it at midnight.
- 4) Use office hours effectively. This means coming prepared with specific questions either from lecture, homework or other sources.
- 5) Use the tutoring lab, and/or hire a private tutor.
- 6) Come to class. This seems like a no-brainer, but it always amazes me how many students skip every lecture, only to be lost come exam time.
- 7) Don't be afraid to ask questions, or to ask for help!
- 8) Finally, don't cheat. If you don't know the material, own up to it, and take the grade you earn.

University Policies:

Disability Policy

If you qualify for accommodations because of a disability, please submit a letter from Disability Services to me in a timely manner so that your needs may be addressed. Disability Services determines accommodations based on documented disabilities. Contact: 303-492-8671, Willard 322, and <http://www.Colorado.EDU/disabilityservices>

Religious Observance Policy

Campus policy regarding religious observances requires that faculty make every effort reasonably and fairly deal with all students who, because of religious obligations, have conflicts with scheduled exams, assignments, or required attendance. If you have a conflict, please contact me at the beginning of the semester so we can make proper arrangements.

Code of Behavior Policy

Students and faculty each have responsibility for maintaining an appropriate learning environment. Students who fail to adhere to such behavioral standards may be subject to discipline. Faculty have the professional responsibility to treat all students with understanding, dignity, and respect to guide classroom discussion and to set reasonable limits on the manner in which they and their students express opinions. Professional courtesy and sensitivity are especially important with respect to individuals and topics dealing with differences of race, culture, religion, politics, sexual orientation, gender variance, and nationalities. Class rosters are provided to the instructor with the students legal name. I will gladly honor your request to address you by an alternate name or gender pronoun. Please advise me of this preference early in the semester so that I may make the appropriate changes to my records.

Honor Code

All students of the University of Colorado at Boulder are responsible for knowing and adhering to the academic integrity policy of honorafho27(e):oolhathis-306(the)-30cyaf6(af)Td [(A6Vf)Td [o305a arsm,li(h)est)27(y)82(,)-2rin,ebr(y)81(,)-2nnd behaviorAll atademic h(all)-898(b)-27(e)2489(rmp)-27(orded)2489(to)-488(the)2489(Honor)2489Cmoeohono@cColoradoheo 303725-2273) Students

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