

ECON 3080 INTERMEDIATE MACROECONOMIC THEORY
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Text:

The textbook is Robert J. Barro, *Macroeconomics* (5th Edition). The textbook should be considered as supplementary to the lectures. This makes regular attendance particularly important.

Course Description:

Throughout the semester, we shall study the fundamental macroeconomic concepts and issues such as inflation, economic growth, unemployment, business cycles and macroeconomic policy. The primary goal of this course is to develop a general analytical framework to understand these concepts and their interplay as the aggregation of individual households' and firms' behaviors. The tentative course plan emphasizes the microeconomic foundations of macroeconomic variables and their interactions. This course does not require substantial mathematical knowledge/background, only familiarity with BASIC calculus and algebra concepts is assumed.

Lecture notes will be posted on the class webpage. It is important to come to class prepared, at least with a basic idea about the topics to be covered and review the covered topics after class. You may also find it helpful to form study groups and collaborate with your classmates.

Grading Policy and Exam Dates:

There will be two midterms and a final exam. Each midterm will count 30% and the final exam will be worth 40% of the overall grade. The first midterm will be held on May 18th and

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