ECON 2020 – 010 PRINCIPLES OF MACROECONOMICS

Spring 2010 Syllabus

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Notice that our approach to the economy resembles the approach of a doctor to a patient. The first step a doctor takes is to measure patient's pulse. This resembles our measuring of economic performance. Next, the doctor will try to make a diagnosis of the patient's situation. For this purpose the doctor will use the theory of how the human body works. Similarly, economists are using theory of how the economy works in order to make diagnosis of the state of the economy. The last step for a doctor would be to recommend a treatment. Similarly, economists are trying to recommend the best policy for a given economy.

REQUIRED TEXTBOOK

Extracredits: x%

RECITATION

Recitations are intended to help students learn the material covered in lectures and readings. The smaller classes make students valuable opportunities for working on problems and asking questions with somewhat more individualized attention. During recitation, the TAs will review material that is presented in lecture, as well as provide you with more examples and practice problems to prepare you for the exams.

Recitation counts for <u>20%</u> of your total course grade and grading policy depends on your TA. I recommend you to attend all of the recitation classes, and perform well in his tests. Your TA will describe his grading policy and what is expected of you during your first recitation. Recitation begins the week of January 19th, 2010. If you miss any midterm exams for any reasons, your recitation grade will take its place.

TENTATIVE COURSE SCHEDULE

The following is the **tentative** schedule of topics to be covered in the course. This schedule is subject to change. We will cover roughly one topic each week. Since exam dates are fixed, they will cover only the material that has been finished.

Week	Topic	Chapters
1 (Jan. 11, 13, 15)	Macroeconomics: The Big Picture	Ch. 6 (1st & 2nd ed.)
2 (Jan. 20, 22)	Tracking the Macro Economy	Ch. 7 (1st & 2nd ed.)
3 (Jan. 25, 27, 29)	Savings, Investment Spending, and the Financial System	Ch. 9 (1st ed.) or Ch. 10 (2nd ed.)
4 (Feb. 1, 3, 5)	Aggregate Supply and Aggregate Demand	

13 (Apr. 5, 7, 9)	Long-Run Economic Growth	Ch. 8 (1st ed.) or Ch. 9
		(2nd ed.)
14 (Apr. 12, 14, 16)	Midterm 3: Friday, April 16th	Review
15 (Apr. 19, 21, 23)	Macroeconomics: Events and	Ch. 17 (1st & 2nd ed.)
	Ideas	
16 (Apr 26, 28, 30)	Catch up & Review	Ch. 6 - Ch. 17

Final Exam: Thursday, May 6th 7:30am - 10:00am

Important Dates (Again):

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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 <u>http://www.Colorado.EDU/disabilityservices</u>.

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