

**ECON 3080-200**  
**Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory**  
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Class Schedule MTWRF 11:00AM-12:35 PM

Classroom GUGG 205

**Course Overview**

This course will provide a comprehensive framework for analyzing the behavior of aggregate economies. Topics will include the determinants of output, unemployment, and inflation, an analysis of short-run fluctuations in economic activity, and theories of long-run economic growth.

Throughout our discussion, we will consider the following questions: Why are some countries rich while others remain poor? What causes economic expansion and contraction? What policies, if any, should the government use in combating inflation and unemployment and stimulating growth?

**Required Text**

Gregory Mankiw, *Macroeconomics*, 6<sup>th</sup> Edition, Worth Publishers.

**Grading**

Your course grade will consist of three short exams (20 minutes) and a final exam (full class).

Problem Sets will not be graded.

Your grade will be determined as follows:

Each small exam will be worth 20% of your grade, final will be worth 40%.

**Exams**

The short examinations will consist of 1-3 questions.

The final examination will consist of several multiple choice questions and some analytical problems.

Problem sets for each chapter will be posted.

Although the other problem sets are not required, I highly encourage you to look at them. The problem sets are designed to aid you in preparing for exams, and their format will appear very similar to the exams.

**Students With Disabilities**

If you qualify for accommodations because of a disability, please submit to me a letter from Disability Services in a timely manner so that your needs may be addressed.

Disability Services determines accommodations based on documented disabilities.

Contact Willard 322, (303) 492-8671.

**Other Information**

This class is subject to the University of Colorado Honor Code. For more information, visit: <http://www.colorado.edu/academics/honorcode>.

**VERY Tentative Course Outline**

Week 1: Chapters 1-6 Introduction and Classical Theory

Week 2: Chapters 7-8 Growth Theory,

Week 3: Chapters 9-13 Business Cycle Theory

Week 4: Chapters 14-15 Policy Implications

**Short Exams: July 24 and 31, August 7**

**Friday, August, 11 Final Exam**