

**Principles of Macroeconomics
Fall 2001**

**ECO 203 Sec. 003
TR 8:30-9:45 AM
BEH 241**

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Required Text: N. Gregory Mankiw, Principles of Macroeconomics, (2nd ed.).

Recommended Text: David R. Hakes, Principles of Macroeconomics Study Guide. This supplement provides the student with chapter overviews and additional problems and questions.

Course Objectives: Upon completion of this course, the successful student will understand the use of diagrams, simple mathematics, and logic in the development and application of macroeconomic theory to public policy issues and real-world events, with a special emphasis on problem solving. Topics include supply and demand, the composition of national product and income, the causes of unemployment and inflation, the nature of money and banking, fiscal and monetary policy, and international trade and finance.

Grades: Your grade for the course depends solely on your grades on the quizzes and examinations. There will be seven (7) multiple-choice quizzes, two (2) midterm exams and a final exam. The five (5) highest quiz scores will be counted toward the semester grade. Each quiz will count as 6% percent of the course grade (30% total). There will be no make-up quizzes. Quizzes are scheduled for the Tuesday of the week, except for Quiz # 7, which is scheduled for Thursday.

Two closed-book exams will be given during regular class time on Tuesday, September 25, 2001 and Tuesday, October 30, 2001, covering lectures and readings up to that point of the course. Exams will be composed of 50 multiple-choice questions, and 10 brief true-false questions (with essays). Each midterm exam will count as 20% of the course grade.

The final exam is scheduled for Tuesday, December 11, 2001 from 8:00 to 10:00 AM. The final exam will be comprehensive, with about 50% of the weight given to material covered after the second mid-term exam, and the remainder given to material covered before the first and second midterm exams. The final exam will count as 30% of the course grade.

Grades will be assigned as 90% or better = A, 80% or better = B, 70 % or better = C, 60% or better = D, below 60% = F. Plus/minus (+/-) grades will be used.

Attendance/Makeup Policy: Regular class attendance is strongly recommended. You are responsible for all reading material and all material presented in class. No makeup quizzes will be given. A temporary grade of zero (0) will be assigned for any missed midterm exams. The final exam will serve as the makeup exam for any missed midterm exams. A makeup exam for missed final exams will be given during the first two weeks of the spring semester. You are responsible for arranging with the Department to take the makeup.

Week	Material Covered	Quiz
1	Course Organization, Ch 1	
2	Ch. 2, 3	
3	Ch. 4	Ch. 2, 3
4	Ch. 10, 11	Ch. 4
5	Test 1 , Ch. 12	
6	Ch. 12, 13	
7	Ch. 13, 14	Ch. 12, 13
8	Ch. 15	Ch. 14
9	Ch. 16	
10	Test 2 , Ch. 17	
11	Ch. 17, 19	
12	Ch. 19, 20	Ch. 17
13	Ch. 20	Ch. 19
14	Ch. 21	Ch. 20
15	Ch. 21, catch-up, review	
16	FINAL EXAMINATION	

All chapter references are to Mankiw. You are expected to read the assignment before class.

Withdrawal: November 2 is the last date to withdraw from class.

Academic Dishonesty: Academic dishonesty (e.g., cheating and plagiarism) will not be tolerated. At the instructor's discretion, a student suspected of academic dishonesty may receive an F for the course and be expelled from the class. Additional penalties, up to expulsion from the University, are possible. See pages 55-56 of the Undergraduate Catalog.

Disabilities: If you have a documented disability that may require assistance, you will need to contact the Disability Resource Center (DRC) for coordination in your academic accommodations. The DRC is located in the Reynolds Student Services Complex in Room 137. The phone number is 895-0866 (TDD 895-0652) and drcsssc@cmail.nevada.edu.