

Macroeconomics A (ECON 110A)

Summer Session I 2007

Syllabus

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Required Text:

Olivier Blanchard, *Macroeconomics*, 4th edition, Pearson (Prentice Hall), Upper Saddle River, 2006.

Other references: To be announced in classes

Class Meetings:

5:00 – 7:50 pm, Tuesday & Thursday, CSB #001.

Prerequisite: *Economics 1A-B or 1-2-3; and Mathematics 10C or 20C or 21C*

TA: Lucas Siga, lsiga@ucsd.edu, SH #139
Office hour: 9:00 – 11:00 A.M., Friday

Course web page: weber.ucsd.edu/~dkim/110a/

Most of course materials are available on the course web. *Please notice that Students are responsible for getting lecture notes on the course web page.*

Evaluation and course grades:

Performance in this class will be evaluated on the basis of grades received on problem sets, mid-term, and a *cumulated* final exam. Grades will be curved taking into consideration the overall class performance and the economics department's standards.

Grades will be weighted as follows:

Problem sets: 15%
Mid-term: 35%
Final: 50%

Problem sets: Three problem sets and students must hand in to the TA no later than the deadline. Late submission without the instructor's permission will be penalized seriously.

Mid-term: *Thursday, July 19, 2007*

Final: 3:00 – 6:00 p.m., Friday, August 3, 2007, TBA

Exam rule:

There will be no make-up mid-term exam for any reason. A make-up final will be given, if necessary, for those with a substantial reason. Substantial is to be interpreted strictly. Excuses for missed exams must be pre-approved by the instructor. Students who make contact after the exam will have to document why they could not make contact prior to the exam. Any student who misses an exam due to physical illness will be required to provide documentation from a licensed physician indicating why the student was physically unable to take the exam.

Aims and contents of the course:

The aim of this course is to introduce to students to macroeconomic theories and policy analysis at an intermediate level and to lay the foundation for further macroeconomic courses.

Contents and Reading Assignments

Date	Topics	Assignment
July 3	Introduction of Macroeconomics, Goods Market	Ch. 1, 2, 3
July 5	Financial Market The IS/LM model	Ch. 4, 5
July 10	The Labor Market AD/AS model	Ch. 6, 7 Due Problem set #1
July 12	AD/AS model Unemployment and the Phillips curve	Ch. 7, 8
July 17	Phillips Curve Inflation Nominal Money Growth	Ch. 8, 9
July 19	Mid-term	
July 24	Nominal Money Growth Economic Growth I	Ch.9, 10 Due Problem set #2
July 26	Economic Growth I	Ch. 10, 11
July 31	Economic Growth II	Ch. 12, 13 Due Problem set #3
August 2	Economic Growth II	Ch. 13
August 3	Final	

** Important class rule: Please switch off your cellular phone during the class.*