

# **Econ 110BH Course Syllabus, Winter 2024**

## **University of California, San Diego**

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### **Course description:**

This course supplements material covered in Econ 110B, going into the topic of monetary policy in greater depth. Course prerequisites: GPA in economics of 3.5 or higher. May either be taken concurrently with Econ 110B or after completing 110B.

### **Course requirements:**

Grades will be based on class participation and two assignments.

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**Course schedule is given below. Copies of the lecture slides and links to relevant readings will be provided as the quarter progresses.**

**F Jan 12:** Monetary policy basics

**F Jan 19:** Current economic conditions and policy

**F Jan 26:** Preview of FOMC meeting

**F Feb 2:** Discussion of actual FOMC statement

**F Feb 9:** Interest rates and bank risk

**F Feb 16:** Negative interest rates

**F Feb 23:** Large-scale asset purchases

**F Mar 1:** Forward guidance

**F Mar 8:** European Central Bank and Bank of Japan

**F Mar 15:** Bank of Canada and Swiss National Bank