

ECON 2010-200: Principles of Macroeconomics

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T,Th 3:15-4:15 PM
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Prerequisites

You should be familiar and comfortable with fractions and decimals, graphing, and solving basic linear algebraic equations. If you find these problems very difficult, please come and see me during my office hours.

Required Materials

For this course, access to the LaunchPad course homework and e-book website for Paul Krugman and Robin Wells' *Principles of Macroeconomics* is required.

To sign up, please visit macmillanhighered.com/launchpad/krugmanwellsmodulesmacro3/1209345.

You are able to get temporary access to the class that will last 21 days if you are deciding whether to take this course. Choose that option while signing up if this appeals to you. A more detailed 'how-to' is available at my website.

Feel free to purchase a hard-copy textbook on top of the e-book if you like the feel of paper between your fingers.

You are also required to have a 'clicker' for the course to answer in-class questions. One can be obtained at the Bookstore, and can be used for any other courses that require them during the rest of your studies.

Recitations

Attending recitation is an important part of success in the course. It provides an opportunity for you to work through the material in a smaller class. You should already be signed up and ready to attend one of the following recitations. There are no recitations the first week of school.

TA	Time	Day	Room
Duff	8:008:50	M	ECON 119
Mendez	3:003:50	M	MUEN D144
Mendez	4:004:50	W	ECON 13
Kormendi	5:005:50	W	HLMS 259
Mendez	8:008:50	T	CLRE 104
Duff	12:0012:50	W	STAD 135
Kormendi	4:004:50	TH	HLMS 247
Mendez	5:005:50	TH	ECON 2
Duff	3:003:50	M	ECON 205

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Grading

Item	Percent of Final Grade
Exam 1	25%
Exam 2	25%
Final Exam	30%
Homework	10%
In-Class Questions	10%
Recitation	25%

NOTE: This adds up to more than 100%! See below under Recitation / Exam Make-up for an explanation.

Exams

Exams will be mostly multiple choice questions, with (possibly) some short-answer questions. There will be a day of review before the exams.

The tentative Exam schedule is as follows:

1. Exam 1 : February 9th
2. Exam 2 : March 16th
3. Final Exam: May 5th

Exams 1 and 2 will be held during class time and the Final Exam will be held from 4:30 PM to 7:00 PM.

Homework

Homework is conducted through the LaunchPad site. Homework will be due (roughly) weekly by Friday night.

In-Class Questions

We will have in-class questions using 'clickers' almost every class. Only some will be graded on accuracy, but all will be graded on participation. You will receive a point for every question you answer, and an additional point for correct answers on some questions.

Recitation / Exam Make-up

There are no make up exams.

If you miss an exam **for any reason**, you will be given a zero. However, you will also be given a grade in recitation, and at the end of the semester, I will replace your lowest exam score (not including the Final Exam) with your recitation score, if it helps your grade.

E-mail

I am happy to answer your e-mails. However, since there are many students in this class, I ask that you give me at least 24 hours to respond. Also, I will only respond during business hours (not on weekends!!). If I feel you can find the answer to the question on this syllabus, I will e-mail you back a terse "Syllabus."

Please don't be offended, and please don't send me these kind of e-mails. Last, please start a new thread, rather than replying to a class-wide e-mail.

I am not allowed, by law, to discuss grades with you or anyone else over e-mail.

Drop Deadline

The deadline to drop the course without receiving a “W” on your transcript is **January 28th**.

Tentative List of Topics:

Exam 1 Topics:

- 1. Opportunity Cost**
- 2. Economic Rationality**
- 3. Economic Models**
- 4. Production Possibility Frontiers**
- 5. Comparative Advantage and Trade**
- 6. Markets**
- 7. Supply and Demand**

Exam 2 Topics:

- 1. Elasticity**
- 2. Price Ceilings and Floors**
- 3. Welfare and Surplus**
- 4. Dead-weight Loss**
- 5. Externalities**

Final Topics:

- 1. Firms in Competitive Markets**
- 2. Firm Entry and Exit**
- 3. Economic Profit**
- 4. Monopoly and Oligopoly**

Additional Information

Honor Code

All students of the University of Colorado at Boulder are responsible for knowing and adhering to the academic integrity policy of this institution. Violations of this policy may include: cheating, plagiarism, aid of academic dishonesty, fabrication, lying, bribery, and threatening behavior. All incidents of academic misconduct shall be reported to the Honor Code Council (honor@colorado.edu; 303-735-2273). Students who are found to be in violation of the academic integrity policy will be subject to both academic sanctions from the faculty member and non-academic sanctions (including but not limited to university probation, suspension, or expulsion). Other information on the Honor Code can be found at <http://www.colorado.edu/policies/honor.html> and at <http://www.colorado.edu/academics/honorcode/>.

Discrimination and Harassment

The University of Colorado at Boulder Discrimination and Harassment Policy and Procedures, the University of Colorado Sexual Harassment Policy and Procedures, and the University of Colorado Conflict of Interest in Cases of Amorous Relationships Policy apply to all students, staff, and faculty. Any student, staff, or faculty member who believes s/he has been the subject of sexual harassment or discrimination or harassment based upon race, color, national origin, sex, pregnancy, age, disability, creed, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression or veteran status should contact the Office of Discrimination and Harassment (ODH) at 303-492-2127, or the Office of Student Conduct (OSC) at 303-492-5550. Information about the ODH, the above referenced policies, and the campus resources available to assist individuals regarding discrimination or harassment can be obtained at <http://www.colorado.edu/odh>.

Classroom Behavior Policy

Students and faculty each have responsibility for maintaining an appropriate learning environment. Those who fail to adhere to such behavioral standards may be subject to discipline. Professional courtesy and sensitivity are especially important with respect to individuals and topics dealing with differences of race, color, culture, religion, creed, politics, veteran's status, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, and gender expression, age, disability, and nationalities. Class rosters are provided to the instructor with the student's legal name. I will gladly honor your request to address you by an alternate name or gender pronoun. Please advise me of this preference early in the semester so that I may make appropriate changes to my records. See policies at <http://www.colorado.edu/policies/classbehavior.html> and at http://www.colorado.edu/studentaffairs/judicialaffairs/code.html#student_code.

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 be addressed. Disability Services determines accommodations based on documented disabilities. Contact: 303-492-8671, Center for Community N200, and <http://www.colorado.edu/disabilityservices>.

If you have a temporary medical condition or injury, see guidelines at <http://www.colorado.edu/disabilityservices/go.cgi?select=temporary.html>.

Disability Services' letters for students with disabilities indicate legally mandated reasonable accommodations. The syllabus statements and answers to Frequently Asked Questions can be found at <http://www.colorado.edu/disabilityservices>.

Religious Observance Policy

Campus policy regarding religious observances requires that faculty make every effort to deal reasonably and fairly with all students who, because of religious obligations, have conflicts with scheduled exams, assignments or required attendance. If you have a conflict, please contact me at the beginning of the term so that we can make proper arrangements. See full details at http://www.colorado.edu/policies/fac_relig.html.

Tenative Schedule:

Monday	Wednesday	Friday
October 13th <hr/> Surplus <hr/> Reading <hr/> 2-2, 7-1, 7-2	October 15th <hr/> The Social Planner <hr/> Market Efficiency <hr/> Reading <hr/> 7-3, 7-4	October 17th <hr/> Deadweight Loss of Taxation <hr/> Marginal Buyers and Sellers <hr/> Reading <hr/> 8-1, 8-2
Monday	Wednesday	Friday
October 20th <hr/> Determinants of Deadweight Loss <hr/> DWL and Tax Reveue <hr/> Reading <hr/> 8-3, 8-4	October 22nd <hr/> Positive and Negative Externalities <hr/> Government Intervention <hr/> Reading <hr/> 10-1, 10-2	October 24th <hr/> Private Solutions <hr/> Coasian Bargaining <hr/> Reading <hr/> 10-3
Monday	Wednesday	Friday
October 27th <hr/> Public Goods <hr/> Reading <hr/> 11-2	October 29th <hr/> Common Resources <hr/> Reading <hr/> 11-3	October 31st <hr/> Income Inequality: Measurement <hr/> Reading <hr/> 20-1
Monday	Wednesday	Friday
November 3rd Income Inequality: Redistribution Philosophy and Policy <hr/> Reading <hr/> 20-2, 20-3	 November 5th	 November 7th EXAM Reveiw
Monday	Wednesday	Friday
 November 10th EXAM	November 12th <hr/> Market for Factors of Production <hr/> Reading <hr/> 18-1, 18-2	November 14th <hr/> Market for Factors of Production <hr/> Reading <hr/> 18-3, 18-4

Monday	Wednesday	Friday
November 17th Determinants of Equilibrium Wages	November 19th Economics of Discrimination	November 21st The Costs of Production
Reading 19-1	Reading 19-2, 19-3	Reading Chapter 13-1, 13-2
Monday	Wednesday	Friday
November 24th Fall Break	November 26th Fall Break	November 28th Fall Break
Monday	Wednesday	Friday
December 1st The Costs of Production	December 3rd Monopoly	December 5th Monopoly
Reading Chapter 13-3, 13-4	Reading Chapter 15-1, 15-2	Reading Chapter 15-3, 15-4
Monday	Wednesday	Friday
December 1st Monopoly (and Oligopoly?)	December 3rd Wrap Up	December 5th Exam Reveiw
Reading Chapter 15-5		