

SYLLABUS

Principles of Macroeconomics - Econ 104, section 002

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Text: Gillespie, *Structured Macroeconomics (First Edition)*

Class of:	Topic	Read before class:
August 30	Overview of US economy	Chapters 1,2
September 6	Review of micro	Chapter 3
September 13	GDP	Chapter 4
September 20	Unemployment	Chapter 5
September 27	Inflation	Chapter 6
October 4	Aggregate demand/supply	Chapter 7
October 11	Mid-Term Exam	
October 18	Keynes	Chapter 8
October 25	Fiscal policy	Chapter 9
November 1	Federal budget	Chapter 10
November 8	Money and banks	Chapter 11
November 15	Monetary policy	Chapter 12
November 22	<i>No class – Thanksgiving Recess</i>	
November 29	Supply-side policy	Chapter 13
December 6	Economic growth	Chapter 14
December 13	Final exam 7:30-10:15	

Last day to add = September 5, 2017 **Last day to drop** = September 29, 2017

Selective withdrawal period = October 2 to October 27, 2017

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GRADING:

10 quizzes at 5% each, 25% total (only your top 5 quiz grades will be counted)

2 homework assignments at 5% each, 10% total (1 before midterm exam, 1 after midterm exam)

Midterm exam at 30%

Final exam at 35%

Grading Scale:

Out of 100 points total:

97 or above = A+

92-96 = A

90-91 = A-

87-89 = B+

82-86 = B

80-81 = B-

77-79 = C+

72-76 = C

70-71 = C-

60-69 = D

Below 60 = F

Honor Code

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Make-Up Policy:

If you are unable to take the Midterm Exam or the Final Exam on the listed date, a make-up exam will be scheduled.

There will be NO make-ups given for any quiz that is missed.

Homework assignments are due on the assigned date. Homework may be sent to me by email or turned in as hard copy.

Extra Credit:

Extra credit opportunities will be announced periodically throughout the semester. Each extra credit point you earn is worth 1/10 of a point toward your course grade. So, for example, if you earn 15 extra credit points, and your final course grade is 87.3, the extra credit points would raise your course grade by 1.5 percent to 88.8.