

COURSE SYLLABUS

Instructor: Michael J. Paterra (623) 780 - 0774
Course Title: MACROECONOMIC PRINCIPLES - ECN 211
Section Number: 23836 (3 credits)
Dates: January 20 – May 12, 2010
Time: M W, 8:30 AM – 9:45 AM
Location: GCN A, Room 105

Course Description

A descriptive analysis of the structure and functioning of the American economy. Emphasis is on basic institutions and factors that determine national income and employment levels. Consideration is given to the macroeconomic topics of national income, unemployment, inflation, and monetary and fiscal policies. Prerequisites: none.

This course satisfies Social and Behavioral Sciences in the MCCD Arizona General Education Curriculum - A, B, and S. Recommendations: Eligibility for ENG 101 and Mat 122

Textbook

Foundations of Microeconomics, Robin Bade and Michael Parkin, Addison Wesley, Boston, Mass, Second Custom Edition for Glendale Community College.

Attendance Policy

1. Each student is expected to attend all class sessions. More than **three** absences may result in a lower grade. Three tardy will count as one absence.
2. Class will begin promptly at 8:30 AM.
3. Students should complete the weekly assignments before class and attend class prepared with questions and answers.

Course Objectives

1. Define basic terms and concepts such as supply, demand, gross national product, and unemployment
2. Work with graphs to express relationships among economic variables
3. Develop a Comprehensive Model of the US Economy in the Global Economy
4. Learn the various theories that have been proposed to achieve desired macroeconomic objectives: full employment, stable prices, and economic growth.
5. Develop a model of the economy for explaining and predicting the consequences of certain economic choices and events.

Grading Policy

All student final grades will be determined according to the following distribution:

90% Average of exam scores
10% Attendance

Final grades will be reported as follows: A (90 -100%), B (89 - 80%), C (79 - 70%), D (69 - 60%), F (below 60%). Students may obtain their final grade by clicking Online Student Services at www.gc.maricopa.edu or telephone: 480.731.8255

Student Rights and Responsibilities

The class will be conducted according to the policies set out in the *GCC Student Handbook*.

Extra Credit

It is possible to add a **maximum of 15 points** to total exam points before averaging by undertaking one 3-5-page student report on a macroeconomic topic, using three cited references. **The three references must be cited in the body of the paper.**

Make-up Exams

One make-up exam is available for emergencies. Students may take one make-up exam during the semester at the Testing Center. Students have **one week** after the day of the exam to complete the make-up exam. **No make-up exam will be available for the final exam.**

Disability Statement

If you have a disability that may have some impact on your work in this class and for which you may require accommodations, you need to notify the Disability Services and Resources Office, located in TDS 100 (623-435-3080).

Taping Policy

Students have permission to audio-tape class lectures in order to prepare for exams. No other taping or use of the audio-tape is permitted without the written permission of the instructor.

Supplemental Instruction

Tip-sheets concerning *The Ten Study Skills* are available from your instructor.

Weekly Assignments (tentative): Course content may vary from this outline to meet the needs of this particular group.

Jan	20	Introduction and Chapter 1
	25 -27	Monday, ML King Recess , Chapters 2
Feb	1 -3	Chapter 3
	8 -10	Chapter 4
	15 -17	EXAM 1 , Chapters 5 and 6
	22 -24	Monday, Presidents Day Recess , Chapters 6 and 7
Mar	1 -3	Chapters 8 and 9
	8 -10	Chapters 10 and 14
	15 -17	Spring Break Recess
	22 -24	Chapters 14 and 15
	29 -31	EXAM 2 , Chapter 11
Apr	5 -7	Chapter 12
	12 -14	Chapters 13 and 16
	19 -21	EXAM 3 , Chapter 17
	26 -28	Chapter 18, Extra Credit Due
May	3 -5	Chapter 20
	12	Final Exam , No make-up exam available