

**UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN**  
**Econ 214.3**  
**Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory**  
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**Time and Location:** TTh 11:30-12:50, Arts 100

Office Hours: TTh 9:30 - 11:00

**Textbook:** Mankiw, N. Gregory and William M. Scarth. *Macroeconomics*. Fourth Canadian Edition. New York: Worth, 2011.

**Course Evaluation:** There will be five assignments, a midterm exam, and a final. They will count toward the grade as follows:

- Assignments: 20%. There will be five assignments, but your grade for assignments is based on your BEST four. Late assignments will not be accepted.
- Midterm: 40%. The midterm exam will be on Thursday, *March 1*. If you miss the midterm, its weight will automatically go to the final.
- Final: 40%.

### Description of the Course

This course is a more formal analysis of the concepts that were studied in Econ 114.3. We will start the course talking about the purpose of modeling in Economics. By the end of the course, students should have grasped the rudiments of modeling and should be able to translate “macroeconomic models” into “everyday thinking” if not vice versa.

### Academic Dishonesty

Academic dishonesty is subject to severe penalty at the University of Saskatchewan. Please refer to page 31 of the 2002-2003 Calendar, *Student Rights, Discipline and Appeals*. The “Student Academic Dishonesty Rules of the University of Saskatchewan Council (September 2000)” report can also be found on the U of S website at [http://www.usask.ca/university\\_council/reports/09-27-99.shtml](http://www.usask.ca/university_council/reports/09-27-99.shtml)

### Academic Conduct

This is not an on-line class; therefore, attendance is expected.

The following is from the *U of S Council Guidelines for Academic Conduct* ([http://www.usask.ca/university\\_council/reports/archives/guide\\_conduct.shtml](http://www.usask.ca/university_council/reports/archives/guide_conduct.shtml)):

A student is expected to (be) punctual and (meet) attendance requirements

A student should not disrupt the classroom or general learning environment, for example by talking or signaling in class, or by leaving and entering the class at inopportune times

Please do not bring laptops to class.

### Outline

#### A - INTRODUCTION

##### 1 What is Macroeconomics?

- Chapter 1

##### 2 The Data.

- Chapter 2

## **B - THE ECONOMY IN THE LONG RUN**

### **3 National Income.**

- Chapter 3

### **4 Inflation.**

- Chapter 4
- Chapter 19, pages 633-645

### **5 Budget Deficit.**

- Chapter 16 until page 550

### **6 Open Economy.**

- Chapter 5

## **C -THE ECONOMY IN THE VERY LONG RUN**

### **7 Economic Growth.**

- Chapter 7

## **D - THE ECONOMY IN THE SHORT RUN**

### **8 Unemployment.**

- Chapter 6

### **9 Business Cycles.**

- Chapter 9
- Chapter 13 until page 433

### **10 The Policy Debate.**

- Chapter 15
- Chapter 13, pages 433-447

### **11 Open Economy.**

- Chapter 12, pages 385-391

## **E - EPILOGUE**

### **12 What We Know, What We Don't.**

- Epilogue