University of Hawaii  
Department of Economics  

Syllabus  

ECON 300  
Intermediate Macroeconomics  

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Course Description:  
ECON 300 aims to provide students with knowledge of the macroeconomics. Classical and modern theory on economy in the short run, medium run, and long run will be introduced. Macroeconomic policy debates and microeconomic foundations will be discussed.  

Course Materials:  

Course Requirements:  
Grades will be determined by two exams, homework assignments, and class participation. The grading will utilize plus and minus signs. Deadlines for all assignments have to be met in order to receive full credits.  
Mid-Term Exam: ten multiple-choice questions and two problems  
Final Exam: twenty multiple-choice questions and five problems.  

Evaluation:  
Homework: 16% of the grade  
Mid-Term Exam: 30% of the grade  
Final exam: 40% of the grade  
Class Participation: 14% of the grade  
No alternative time for the exams will be offered except in case of emergency.  

Reading Requirements and Schedules: all reading requirements are in Mankiw, 2003.  

August 22: Syllabus, Rules and Regulations  
August 24: Chapter 1, Introduction, Mankiw, pp. 2-14
Homework 1 due at the beginning of the class

August 26-29: Chapter 2, Data Issues, pp. 15-41
August 31-September 2: Chapter 3, National Income, pp. 42-74
   Homework 2 due at the beginning of the class (No class on September 5)

September 7 and 9: Chapter 4, Money and Inflation, pp. 75-113
September 12-14: Review
September 16-21: Chapter 5, Open Economy, pp. 114-154
   Homework number three due at the beginning the class

September 23-26: Chapter 6, Unemployment, pp. 155-179
September 28-30: Chapter 7, Economic Growth I, pp. 180-206
   Homework 3 due at the beginning of the class

October 3-5: Chapter 8, Economic Growth II, pp. 207-237
October 7: Review
   October 10: Mid-Term Exam: 10:30-11:20, KUY 310
October 12: Mid-Term Exam Return

   October 14-17: Chapter 9, Introduction to Economic Fluctuations, pp. 238-256
October 19-21: Chapter 10, Aggregate Demand I, pp. 257-280
   Homework 4 due at the beginning of the class

October 24-26: Chapter 11, Aggregate Demand II, pp. 281-311
October 26-31: Chapter 12, Aggregate Demand in Open Economy, pp. 312-346
   Homework 5 due at the beginning of the class

November 2: review
November 4-7: Chapter 13, Aggregate Supply, pp. 347-379
November 9-14: Chapter 14, Policy I, pp. 380-404 (No Class on November 11)
   Homework 6 due at the beginning of the class

November 16-18: Chapter 15, Policy II, pp. 405-431
November 21: review
November 23-28: Chapter 16, Consumption, pp. 432-460 (No class on November 25)
   Homework 7 due at the beginning of the class

November 30-December 2: Chapter 17, Investment, pp. 461-481
December 5-7: Chapter 18, Money Supply and Demand, pp. 482-499
   Homework 8 due at the beginning of the class

December 9: Review
   December 12: Final Exam, 9:45-11:45, KUY 310