

## Course Syllabus—Fall 2023



**Course** ECON 2301.501  
**Course Title** Principles of Macroeconomics  
**Instructor** Yuanchen Bing  
**Term** Fall 2023  
**Meetings** Tuesday & Thursday 5:30pm - 6:45pm  
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### General Course Information

**Pre-requisites** There are no pre-requisites for this course, while college level algebra skills are expected.

**Student Learning Objectives/Outcomes.** My goal is not to give you “pre-packaged” answers, but to train you to analyze them for yourselves and help you formulate better economic questions. Macroeconomic curriculum builds on itself. So another important objective is to familiarize yourself with economic concepts and terminology that will resurface again at intermediate and advanced levels.

**Course Description** An introduction to theories of the determination of national production and income, interest rates, inflation, and unemployment. Other topics include the banking system, balance of payments, economic growth, and development.

**Required Texts & Materials** *Principles of Macroeconomics, 9th Edition* by N. Gregory Mankiw. ISBN-13: 978-0357133491.  
Slides will be posted on eLearning before class.

## Tentative Academic Calendar

Time	Topics	Homework Available
8/22	Syllabus and Chapter 1 Ten Principles of Economics	
8/24	Chapter 3 Interdependence and the Gains from Trade	
8/29	Chapter 4 The Market Forces of Supply and Demand	
8/31	Chapter 5 Elasticity and Its Application	HW 1 due on 9/3
9/5	Chapter 6 Supply, Demand, and Government Policies	
9/7	Chapter 7 Consumers, Producers, and the Efficiency of Markets	
9/12	Chapter 8 Application: The Costs of Taxation	HW 2 due on 9/17
9/14	Chapter 9 Application: International Trade	
9/19	Exam 1 review	
9/20-22	<b>Exam 1</b>	
9/26	Chapter 10 Measuring a Nation's Income	
9/28	Chapter 11 Measuring the Cost of Living	
10/3	Chapter 12 Production and Growth	HW 3 due on 10/8
10/5	Chapter 13 Saving, Investment, and the Financial System	
10/10	Chapter 14 The Basic Tools of Finance	
10/12	Chapter 15 Unemployment	HW 4 due on 10/15
10/17	Exam 2 review	
10/18-20	<b>Exam 2</b>	
10/24	Chapter 16 The Monetary System	
10/26	Chapter 17 Money Growth and Inflation	
10/31	Continued with Chapter 17	HW 5 due on 11/5
11/2	Chapter 20 Aggregate Demand and Aggregate Supply	
11/7	Continued with chapter 20	
11/9	Chapter 21 The Influence of Monetary and Fiscal Policy on Aggregate Demand	
11/14	Continued with Chapter 21	
11/16	Chapter 22 The Short-Run Trade-Off between Inflation and Unemployment	HW 6 due on 11/19
11/21	<b>No class, fall break</b>	
11/23	<b>No class, Thanksgiving holiday</b>	
11/28	Exam 3 review	
11/29-12/3	<b>Exam 3</b>	

- The dates of chapters covered are tentative and subject to change.
- You will need to log into eLearning regularly to download lecture slides, homework questions, and other course materials.
- The exams are NOT cumulative.
- The exams will be taken in the testing center. Please make reservations as soon as possible. **If you fail to make reservation, there are no makeup exams, and your score will be zero.** You are allowed to take a scientific calculator (no graphing ones) for the exams.
- Exam 1 covers chapter 3 to chapter 9.
- Exam 2 covers chapter 10 to chapter 15.
- Exam 3 covers chapter 16, chapter 17, and chapter 20 to chapter 22.

### Course Policies

<b>Class Materials</b>	The instructor may provide class materials that will be made available to all students registered for this class as they are intended to supplement the classroom experience. These materials may be downloaded during the course, however, these materials are for registered students' use only. Classroom materials may not be reproduced or shared with those not in class, or uploaded to other online environments except to implement an approved Office of Student AccessAbility accommodation. Failure to comply with these University requirements is a violation of the <a href="#">Student Code of Conduct</a> .
<b>Class Attendance</b>	Class attendance is highly recommended, but not mandatory. The University's attendance policy requirement is that individual faculty set their course attendance requirements. Regular and punctual class attendance is expected. Students who fail to attend class regularly are inviting scholastic difficulty. No special attendance requirements.
<b>Class Participation</b>	Regular class participation is expected. Students who fail to participate in class regularly are inviting scholastic difficulty. A portion of the grade for this course is directly tied to your participation in this class. It also includes engaging in group or other activities during class that solicit your feedback on homework assignments, readings, or materials covered in the lectures (and/or labs). Class participation is documented by faculty. Successful participation is defined as consistently adhering to University requirements, as presented in this syllabus. Failure to comply with these University requirements is a violation of the <a href="#">Student Code of Conduct</a> .
<b>Class Recordings</b>	Students are expected to follow appropriate University policies and maintain the security of passwords used to access recorded lectures. Unless the Office of Student AccessAbility has approved the student to record the instruction, students are expressly prohibited from recording any part of this course. Recordings may not be published, reproduced, or shared with those not in the class, or uploaded to other online environments except to implement an approved Office of Student AccessAbility accommodation. Failure to

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<b>Grading (credit) Criteria</b>	<p>Exam 1: 25%</p> <p>Exam 2: 25%</p> <p>Exam 3: 25%</p> <p>Homework: 25%</p> <p>In-class practice questions: extra credits</p> <p>The weighted average grade will be translated into letter grade (A+ through F) as follows:</p> <table> <tr> <td>97-100 A+</td> <td>93-96.99 A</td> <td>90-92.99 A-</td> </tr> <tr> <td>87-89.99 B+</td> <td>83-86.99 B</td> <td>80-82.99 B-</td> </tr> <tr> <td>77-79.99 C+</td> <td>73-76.99 C</td> <td>70-72.99 C-</td> </tr> <tr> <td>60-69.99 D</td> <td>0-59.99 F</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	97-100 A+	93-96.99 A	90-92.99 A-	87-89.99 B+	83-86.99 B	80-82.99 B-	77-79.99 C+	73-76.99 C	70-72.99 C-	60-69.99 D	0-59.99 F	
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<b>Make-up Exams</b>	Make-up exams will only be given in extenuating circumstances and documentation, such as the doctor's note, is required.												
<b>Extra Credit</b>	Students can obtain extra credits by taking in-class practices. Please take a <b>laptop</b> to class for quizzes.												
<b>Econ lab</b>	<a href="https://epps.utdallas.edu/about/programs/economics/economics-lab/">https://epps.utdallas.edu/about/programs/economics/economics-lab/</a>												
<b>Testing Center Reservation</b>	<p>Reservations can be made through the following link: <a href="https://ets.utdallas.edu/testing-center">https://ets.utdallas.edu/testing-center</a>.</p> <p>Please review the <a href="#">Student Guidelines</a> prior to taking your exams at the testing center.</p>												
<b>Late Work</b>	Six assignments will be given. Suggested answers will be provided on eLearning. Students should finish the homework on eLearning before 11:59pm on the due dates. Students may find the access to homework by clicking "Assignments" under the "ECON 2301.501 - Principles of Macroeconomics - F23" on eLearning. There will be 30% subtraction <b>per day</b> due to late submissions.												
<b>Comet Creed</b>	<p><i>This creed was voted on by the UT Dallas student body in 2014. It is a standard that Comets choose to live by and encourage others to do the same:</i></p> <p><i>"As a Comet, I pledge honesty, integrity, and service in all that I do."</i></p>												
<b>Academic Support Resources</b>	<p>The information contained in the following link lists the University's academic support resources for all students.</p> <p>Please go to <a href="http://go.utdallas.edu/academic-support-resources">http://go.utdallas.edu/academic-support-resources</a>.</p>												
<b>UT Dallas Syllabus Policies and Procedures</b>	The information contained in the following link constitutes the University's policies and procedures segment of the course syllabus. Please review the sections regarding the <a href="#">credit/no credit</a> grading option and withdrawal from class.												

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