



Course Syllabus: Principals of Macroeconomics

Dillard College of Business Administration

ECON 2333

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Course Description

This is an introductory course to macroeconomics. Macroeconomics focuses on studying the economy in the aggregate and the models used in this course assume that the economy is more than the sum of its parts. In this course, we will discuss economic growth, comparative advantage, GDP, inflation, unemployment, fiscal and monetary policy, and international trade.

General Learning Goals: Students will be asked to demonstrate their critical thinking and problem-solving skills by applying macroeconomic principles in their homework, quizzes, and exams. Students will demonstrate their communication abilities by effectively communicating their knowledge of macroeconomics in class. Students will demonstrate their understanding of the importance of global factors in the performance of the global economy.

Course Specific Learning Goals: Students will learn fundamental macroeconomic indicators. Students will demonstrate that they understand production, growth, savings, investment, and unemployment. Students are expected to fully grasp the difference between monetary policy and fiscal policy as well learn about money, banking, and financial institutions.

Textbook & Instructional Materials

Principles of Macroeconomics, 9th Edition, Gregory Mankiw

Required digital materials for this course are part of the **Courseware Access and Affordability Program at MSU Texas**.

ECON 2333 are included in the Follet Access Program at MSU Texas. What does this mean?

- Your course material is in D2L on the first day of class, for everyone in your class. Your professor opted to have this course in the program to save you time and money.
- The charge for this content has been added to your student account and this pricing is below the publisher's website price.
- You have the choice to "opt out" of this special pricing and find your material on your own. If you prefer to "opt out", the instructions will be in your my.msutexas.edu email on 01/27/26.

For questions concerning the program or if you need assistance, please contact the bookstore at jenny.denning@msutexas.edu.

Student Handbook

Refer to: [Student Handbook](#)

Academic Misconduct Policy & Procedures

Academic Dishonesty: Cheating, collusion, and plagiarism (the act of using source material of other persons, either published or unpublished, without following the accepted techniques of crediting, or the submission for credit of work not the individual's to whom credit is given). Additional guidelines on procedures in these matters may be found in the Office of Student Conduct. [Office of Student Conduct](#)

Moffett Library

Moffett Library provides resources and services to support student's studies and assignments, including books, peer-reviewed journals, databases, and multimedia materials accessible both on campus and remotely. The library offers media equipment checkout, reservable study rooms, and research assistance from librarians to help students effectively find, evaluate, and use information. Get started on this [Moffett Library webpage](#) to explore these resources and learn how to best utilize the library.

Grading

Table 1: Points allocated to each assignment

Assignments	Points
Homework (10 at 3 pts each)	30
Worksheets (10 at 1 point each)	10
Exam 1	20
Exam 2	20
Exam 3	20
Final Exam	20
Total Points	120

Table 2: Total points for final grade.

Grade	Points
A	99
B	88 to 99
C	77 to 88
D	66 to 77
F	Less than 66

Homework

There will be 10 online homework assignments worth 3 points each. These are designed to keep you engaged with the material throughout the class. The questions on these assignments are also designed to give you experience with the types of questions that will be on the exams.

Worksheets

In class worksheets are designed to give you experience thinking through macro-economic topics in a low-stakes environment before having to do homework. There will be 10 worksheets worth 1 point each.

Exams

There will be four exams in the class worth 20 points each. The first three exams will cover new material while the final exam will cover all chapters. The exams will include multiple-choice and true-false types of questions as well as writing prompt questions. Writing prompt questions will be between 20%-25% of each exam grade. Exams are expected to be done during the allotted class time. If you miss an exam for any reason, your grade on the final exam will replace the missing exam grade.

Late Work

Late work will be accepted for any reason.

Important Dates

- Last day for term schedule changes: Check date on [Academic Calendar](#).
- Deadline to file for graduation: Check date on [Academic Calendar](#).
- Last Day to drop with a grade of W: Check date on [Academic Calendar](#).
- Refer to: [Drops, Withdrawals & Void](#)

Desire-to-Learn (D2L)

Extensive use of the MSU D2L program is a part of this course. Each student is expected to be familiar with this program as it provides a primary source of communication regarding assignments, examination materials, and general course information. You can log into [D2L](#) through the MSU Homepage. If you experience difficulties, please contact the technicians listed for the program or contact your instructor.

Attendance

Students are expected to attend all meetings of the classes in which they are enrolled.

Computer Requirements

Assignments and tests are due by the due date, and personal computer technical difficulties will not be considered reason for the instructor to allow students extra time to submit assignments, tests, or discussion postings. Computers are available on campus in various areas of the buildings as well as the Academic Success Center. **Your computer being down is not an excuse for missing a deadline.** The college cannot work directly on student computers due to both liability and resource limitations however they are able to help you get connected to our online services. For help, log into [D2L](#).

Change of Schedule

A student dropping a course (but not withdrawing from the University) within the first 12 class days of a regular semester or the first four class days of a summer semester is eligible for a 100% refund of applicable tuition and fees. Dates are published in the Schedule of Classes each semester.

Refund and Repayment Policy

A student who withdraws or is administratively withdrawn from Midwestern State University (MSU) may be eligible to receive a refund for all or a portion of the tuition, fees and room/board charges that were paid to MSU for the semester. HOWEVER, if the student received financial aid (federal/state/institutional grants, loans and/or scholarships), all or a portion of the refund may be returned to the financial aid programs. As described below, two formulas (federal and state) exists in determining the amount of the refund. (Examples of each refund calculation will be made available upon request).

Services for Students with Disabilities

In accordance with Section 504 of the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, Midwestern State University endeavors to make reasonable accommodations to ensure equal opportunity for qualified persons with disabilities to participate in all educational, social, and recreational programs and activities. After notification of acceptance, students requiring accommodations should make application for such assistance through Disability Support Services, located in the Student Wellness Center, (940) 397-4140. Current documentation of a disability will be required in order to provide appropriate services, and each request will be individually reviewed. For more details, please go to [Disability Support Services](#).

College Policies

Campus Carry Rules/Policies

Refer to: [Campus Carry Rules and Policies](#)

Smoking/Tobacco Policy

College policy strictly prohibits the use of tobacco products in any building owned or operated by WATC. Adult students may smoke only in the outside designated-smoking areas at each location.

Alcohol and Drug Policy

To comply with the Drug Free Schools and Communities Act of 1989 and subsequent amendments, students and employees of Midwestern State are informed that strictly enforced policies are in place which prohibits the unlawful possession, use or distribution of any illicit drugs, including alcohol, on university property or as part of any university-sponsored activity. Students and employees are also subject to all applicable legal sanctions under local, state and federal law for any offenses involving illicit drugs on University property or at University-sponsored activities.

Campus Carry

Effective August 1, 2016, the Campus Carry law (Senate Bill 11) allows those licensed individuals to carry a concealed handgun in buildings on public university campuses, except in locations the University establishes has prohibited. The new Constitutional Carry law does not change this process. Concealed carry still requires a License to Carry permit, and openly carrying handguns is not allowed on college campuses. For more information, visit [Campus Carry](#).

Active Shooter

The safety and security of our campus is the responsibility of everyone in our community. Each of us has an obligation to be prepared to appropriately respond to threats to our campus, such as an active aggressor. Please review the information provided by MSU Police Department regarding the options and strategies we can all use to stay safe during difficult situations. For more information, visit [MSUReady – Active Shooter](#). Students are encouraged to watch the video entitled “Run. Hide. Fight.” which may be electronically accessed via the University police department’s webpage: ["Run. Hide. Fight."](#)

Grade Appeal Process

Update as needed. Students who wish to appeal a grade should consult the Midwestern State University [MSU Catalog](#)

***Notice:** Changes in the course syllabus, procedure, assignments, and schedule may be made at the discretion of the instructor.

Course Schedule:

Monday	Wednesday	Friday
January 19	January 21 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Syllabus Day 	January 22 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 4: Market Forces of Supply and Demand
January 26 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 4: Market Forces of Supply and Demand 	January 28 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Worksheet 1 – S&D 	January 30 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 10: Measuring a Nation's Income Homework 1 Due at 11:59pm
February 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 11: Measuring the Cost of Living 	February 4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 10 & 11 Review 	February 6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Worksheet 2 – Measurement Homework 2 Due at 11:59pm
February 9 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 12: Production and Growth 	February 11 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 12: Production and Growth 	February 13 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Worksheet 3 – Production Homework 3 Due at 11:59pm
February 16 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 15: Unemployment 	February 18 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 15: Unemployment 	February 20 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Worksheet 4 – Unemployment Homework 4 Due at 11:59pm
February 23 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review 	February 25 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exam 1 	February 27 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exam Review
March 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 13: Savings, Investment, and the Financial System 	March 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 13: Savings, Investment, and the Financial System 	March 6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Worksheet 5 – S=I Homework 5 Due at 11:59pm
March 9 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spring Break 	March 11 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spring Break 	March 13 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spring Break
March 16 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 14: The Basic Tools of Finance 	March 18 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 14: The Basic Tools of Finance 	March 20 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Class
March 23 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Class 	March 25 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 16: The Monetary System 	March 27 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Worksheet 6 – Finance Homework 6 Due at 11:59pm
March 30 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 16: The Monetary System 	April 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Worksheet 7 – Money Supply Homework 7 Due at 11:59pm 	April 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holiday Break
April 6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 17: Money Growth and Inflation 	April 8 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 17: Money Growth and Inflation 	April 10 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Worksheet 8 – Inflation Homework 8 Due at 11:59pm
April 13 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review 	April 15 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exam 2 	April 17 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 20: AD&AS
April 20 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 21: Monetary and Fiscal Policy 	April 22 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 20 & 21 Review 	April 24 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Worksheet 9 – AS=AD Homework 9 Due at 11:59pm
April 27 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 22: Philips Curve 	April 29 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 22: Philips Curve 	May 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Worksheet 10 – Phillips Curve Homework 10 Due at 11:59pm
May 4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review 	May 6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exam 3 	May 8 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Final Exam Review
Final Exam sometime between May 10-14		