**Econ 2305-006, 007 and 008 Principles of Macroeconomics Spring 2017 Himarios**

**Course Calendar, Including Office Hours, Course Coverage, Assignment Deadlines and Exam Dates**

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| **Week** | **Sunday** | **Monday** | **Tuesday** | **Wednesday** | **Thursday** | **Friday** | **Saturday** |
| **1**  Work on Chapters 1 and 2 | Jan 15 | Jan 16 | Jan 17  First UTA Class Day  Office Hours 1-4 | Jan 18  You may work ahead of the deadlines shown, but no extensions will be given | Jan 19  Office Hours 1-2 | Jan 20  11:59pm deadline for HW1 and HW2 | Jan 21 |
| **2**  Work on Chapter 3 | Jan 22  11:59pm deadline for Syllabus quiz, Quiz1 and Quiz 2 | Jan 23 | Jan 24  Office Hours 1-4 | Jan 25 | Jan 26  Office Hours 1-2 | Jan 27  11:59pm deadline for HW3 | Jan 28 |
| **3**  Work on Chapter 4 | Jan 29  11:59pm deadline for Quiz 3 | Jan 30 | Jan 31  Office Hours 1-4 | Feb 1  Census Date | Feb 2  Office Hours 1-2 | Feb 3  11:59pm deadline for HW4 | Feb 4 |
| **4**  Focus on Chapters 3 and 4 again | Feb 5  11:59pm deadline for Quiz 4 | Feb 6 | Feb 7  Office Hours 1-4 | Feb 8 | Feb 9  Office Hours 1-2 | Feb 10 | Feb 11 |
| **5**  Work on Chapters 5 and 6 | Feb 12  11:59pm deadline for Test 1 over chapters 1-4 | Feb 13 | Feb 14  Office Hours 1-4 | Feb 15 | Feb 16 | Feb 17  11:59pm deadline for HW5 and HW6 | Feb 18 |
| **6**  Work on Chapter 7 | Feb 19  11:59pm deadline for Quiz 5 and Quiz 6 | Feb 20 | Feb 21  Office Hours 1-4 | Feb 22 | Feb 23  Office Hours 1-2 | Feb 24  11:59pm deadline for HW7 | Feb 25 |
| **7**  Work on Chapter 8 | Feb 26  11:59pm deadline for Quiz 7 | Feb 27 | Feb 28  Office Hours 1-4 | Mar 1 | Mar 2  Office Hours 1-2 | Mar 3  11:59pm deadline for HW8 | Mar 4 |
| **8**  Work on Chapter 9 | Mar 5  11:59pm deadline for Quiz 8 | Mar 6 | Mar 7  Office Hours 1-4 | Mar 8 | Mar 9  No office hours today | Mar 10  11:59pm deadline for HW9 | Mar 11 |
| **9** | Mar 12  11:59pm deadline for Quiz 9 | Mar 13  Spring Break | Mar 14  Spring Break | Mar 15  Spring Break | Mar 16  Spring Break | Mar 17  Spring Break | Mar 18 |
| **10**  Work on Chapter 10 | Mar 19  11:59pm deadline for Test 2 over chapters 5-9 | Mar 20 | Mar 21  Office Hours 1-4 | Mar 22 | Mar 23  Office Hours 1-2 | Mar 24  11:59pm deadline for HW10 | Mar 25 |
| **11**  Work on Chapter 11 | Mar 26  11:59pm deadline for Quiz 10 | Mar 27 | Mar 28  Office Hours 1-4 | Mar 29 | Mar 30  Office Hours 1-2 | Mar 31  11:59pm deadline for HW11  Last day to drop for Spring 2017 (submit requests to advisor prior to 4pm) | Apr 1 |
| **12**  Work on Chapters 13 and 14 | Apr 2  11:59pm deadline for Quiz 11 | Apr 3 | Apr 4  Office Hours 1-4 | Apr 5 | Apr 6  Office Hours 1-2 | Apr 7  11:59pm deadline for HW13 and HW14 | Apr 8 |

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| **Week** | **Sunday** | **Monday** | **Tuesday** | **Wednesday** | **Thursday** | **Friday** | **Saturday** |
| **13**  Focus on Chapters 11 and 13 again | Apr 9  11:59pm deadline for Quiz 13 and Quiz 14 | Apr 10 | Apr 11  Office Hours 1-4 | Apr 12 | Apr 13  Office Hours 1-2 | Apr 14 | Apr 15 |
| **14**  Work on Chapters 15 and 16 | Apr 16  Easter  11:59pm deadline for Test 3 over chapters 10, 11, 13, and 14 | Apr 17 | Apr 18  Office Hours 1-4 | Apr 19 | Apr 20  Office Hours 1-2 | Apr 21  11:59pm deadline for HW15 and HW16 | Apr 22 |
| **15**  Work on Chapter 32 | Apr 23  11:59pm deadline for Quiz 15 and Quiz 16 | Apr 24 | Apr 25  Office Hours 1-4 | Apr 26 | Apr 27  Office Hours 1-2 | Apr 28 11:59pm deadline for HW32 | Apr 29 |
| **16**  Focus on Chapters 13 and 16 again | Apr 30 11:59pm deadline for Quiz 32 | May 1 | May 2  Office Hours 1-4 | May 3 | May 4  Office Hours 1-2 (Last office hours) | May 5  Last UTA Class Day | May 6 |
| **17**  Final Exam Week | May 7  11:59pm deadline for Test 4 over chapters 15, 16, and 32 | May 8  No office hours this week | May 9 | May 10  11:59pm deadline for Comprehensive Final Exam | May 11 | May 12 | May 13 |

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**Office Hours**

See calendar, above. No office hours during exam week.

**Time and Place of Class Meetings**

Online delivery; no class meetings

**Attendance**

At The University of Texas at Arlington, taking attendance is not required. Rather, each faculty member is free to develop his or her own methods of evaluating students’ academic performance, which includes establishing course-specific policies on attendance. Attendance will not be taken in this online section.

**Descriptions of major assignments and examinations**

***Homework:***

There are 16 homework assignments. You will complete them by accessing MyEconLab through Blackboard. I will drop your lowest four grades and use the remaining 12 to calculate your homework average.

***Quizzes:***

There are 16 quizzes. You will complete them by accessing MyEconLab thorugh Blackboard. I will drop your lowest four grades and use the remaining 12 to calculate your quiz average.

***Tests:***

There are 4 tests. You will complete them by accessing MyEconLab through Blackboard.

***Final Exam:***

There is 1 final exam. You will take it online by accessing Blackboard through the Respondus Monitor app. It is closed notes, closed book exams.

**Grade Computation and Grading Policy**

Grade = (homework average on a 100 point percentage scale x .10) + (quiz average on a 100 point percentage scale x .15) + (Test 1 x .15) + (Test 2 x 15.) + (Test 3 x .15) + (Test 4 x .15) + (Final Exam x .15) + points from the syllabus quiz

A = 90-100; B = 80-89; C = 70-79; D = 60-69; F = 50-59.

**Makeup Policy**

No makeup work is allowed. Schedule a cushion for family emergencies, work challenges, Blackboard glitches, computer crashes, lost textbooks and the like so that you don’t miss my deadlines.

You may always complete your work early but you may *never* have extra time, extensions, or an extra attempt after a deadline passes.

**Curves**

Do not expect your course average to be curved. If you ask for a curve, you automatically disqualify yourself from any that might be given.

**Required Textbooks and Other Course Materials**

Miller, *Economics Today: The Macro View* 18e + MyEconLab. ISBN 0134004639. If you already have the book and just need to access MyEconLab, the ISBN is 0133884872. There is a tab labeled “MyEconLab” on the Blackboard course menu where you can get information about accessing MyEconLab.

Blackboard access. To access Blackboard go to <http://elearn.uta.edu> and log on using your UTA netID and password.

Respondus LockDown Browser App and an external webcam. You need these for the final.

Download the free app by going to [http://www.respondus.com/lockdown/download.php?id=163943837](http://www.respondus.com/lockdown/download.php?id=163943837" \t "_blank). The application that you will look for after your download finishes is called  "LockDown Browser" so look for it under the "L's," not the "R's."

External webcam. You will need to buy an external webcam for your computer if you do not already have one.

**Description of Course Content**

Elementary models of the macro economy, measures of aggregate economic activity and unemployment and inflation, money and banking, monetary and fiscal policy, international trade and payments, and applications of theory to society’s problems.

**Student Learning Outcomes**

You will be able to:

1. employ the methods that economists use to investigate market outcomes

2. use and critique alternative theories of the macroeconomy

3. develop and communicate alternative explanations or solutions for contemporary social issues such as poverty and unemployment

4. differentiate and analyze historical evidence (documentary and statistical) and differing points of view

5. analyze, critically assess, and develop creative solutions to public policy problems such as inflation

6. recognize appropriate information sources for data about the state of the economy

**Expectations for Out-of-Class Study**

Beyond the time required to attend each class meeting, students enrolled in this course should expect to spend at least an additional 9 hours of their own time each week in course-related activities, including reading required materials, completing assignments, preparing for exams, and taking quizzes and exams.

**Course Purpose**

This course satisfies the University of Texas at Arlington core curriculum requirement in social and behavioral sciences.

**Course Objectives**

This course satisfies the following objectives.

1. Critical thinking skills include creative thinking, innovation, inquiry, and analysis, evaluation, and synthesis of information. You will demonstrate evidence of critical thinking skills by examining and critiquing alternative models of the macroeconomy and alternative explanations and solutions to macroeconomic problems such as inflation and unemployment on course exams.

2. Communication skills include effective development, interpretation, and expression of ideas through written, oral, and visual communication. You will demonstrate communication skills throughout the course through classroom participation and course assignments.

3. Empirical and quantitative skills include the manipulation and analysis of numerical data or observable facts resulting in informed conclusions. Students will be able to work with quantitative measures such as the Consumer Price Index and determine inflation rate. Based on these measures students will be able to judge the impact of various fiscal and monetary policies. You will demonstrate these skills by answering questions on course exams and course assignments.

4. Social responsibility includes intercultural competence, knowledge of civic responsibility and the ability to engage effectively in regional, national and global communities. Students will be able to articulate the impact that alternative methods of encouraging economic growth might have on the economy. You will demonstrate these skills by answering questions on course exams and course assignments.

**Drop Policy**

Students may drop or swap (adding and dropping a class concurrently) classes through self-service in MyMav from the beginning of the registration period through the late registration period. After the late registration period, students must see their academic advisor to drop a class or withdraw. Undeclared students must see an advisor in the University Advising Center. Drops can continue through a point two-thirds of the way through the term or session. It is the student's responsibility to officially withdraw if they do not plan to attend after registering. **Students will not be automatically dropped for non-attendance**. Repayment of certain types of financial aid administered through the University may be required as the result of dropping classes or withdrawing. For more information, contact the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships (<http://wweb.uta.edu/aao/fao/>).

**Disability Accommodations**

UTArlington is on record as being committed to both the spirit and letter of all federal equal opportunity legislation, including *The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), The Americans with Disabilities Amendments Act (ADAAA),* and *Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act.* All instructors at UT Arlington are required by law to provide “reasonable accommodations” to students with disabilities, so as not to discriminate on the basis of disability. Students are responsible for providing the instructor with official notification in the form of a letter certified by the **Office for Students with Disabilities (OSD)**.Students experiencing a range of conditions (Physical, Learning, Chronic Health, Mental Health, and Sensory) that may cause diminished academic performance or other barriers to learning may seek services and/or accommodations by contacting **The Office for Students with Disabilities (OSD)** ([www.uta.edu/disability](http://www.uta.edu/disability) 817-272-3364) or **Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)** ([www.uta.edu/caps/](http://www.uta.edu/caps/) 817-272-3671).

Only those students who have officially documented a need for an accommodation will have their request honored. Information regarding diagnostic criteria and policies for obtaining disability-based academic accommodations can be found at [www.uta.edu/disability](http://www.uta.edu/disability) or by calling the Office for Students with Disabilities at (817) 272-3364.

**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 as prohibited. Under the new law, openly carrying handguns is not allowed on college campuses. For more information, visit <http://www.uta.edu/news/info/campus-carry/>.

**Electronic Communication**

UT Arlington has adopted MavMail as its official means to communicate with students about important deadlines and events, as well as to transact university-related business regarding financial aid, tuition, grades, graduation, etc. All students are assigned a MavMail account and are responsible for checking the inbox regularly. There is no additional charge to students for using this account, which remains active even after graduation. Information about activating and using MavMail is available at <http://www.uta.edu/oit/cs/email/mavmail.php>.

**Title IX**

The University of Texas at Arlington (“University”) is committed to maintaining a learning and working environment that is free from discrimination based on sex in accordance with Title IX of the Higher Education Amendments of 1972 (Title IX), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in educational programs or activities; Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Title VII), which prohibits sex discrimination in employment; and the Campus Sexual Violence Elimination Act (SaVE Act). Sexual misconduct is a form of sex discrimination and will not be tolerated.*For information regarding Title IX, visit* [www.uta.edu/titleIX](http://www.uta.edu/titleIX) or contact Ms. Jean Hood, Vice President and Title IX Coordinator at (817) 272-7091 or [jmhood@uta.edu](file:///C:\Users\jhimarios\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary%20Internet%20Files\Content.Outlook\EAY6WCU5\jmhood@uta.edu).

**Academic Integrity**

Students enrolled all UT Arlington courses are expected to adhere to the UT Arlington Honor Code:

*I pledge, on my honor, to uphold UT Arlington’s tradition of academic integrity, a tradition that values hard work and honest effort in the pursuit of academic excellence.*

*I promise that I will submit only work that I personally create or contribute to group collaborations, and I will appropriately reference any work from other sources. I will follow the highest standards of integrity and uphold the spirit of the Honor Code.*

UT Arlington faculty members may employ the Honor Code as they see fit in their courses, including (but not limited to) having students acknowledge the honor code as part of an examination or requiring students to incorporate the honor code into any work submitted. Per UT System *Regents’ Rule* 50101, §2.2, suspected violations of university’s standards for academic integrity (including the Honor Code) will be referred to the Office of Student Conduct. Violators will be disciplined in accordance with University policy, which may result in the student’s suspension or expulsion from the University.

**Student Feedback Survey**

At the end of each term, students enrolled in classes categorized as “lecture,” “seminar,” or “laboratory” shall be directed to complete an online Student Feedback Survey (SFS). Instructions on how to access the SFS for this course will be sent directly to each student through MavMail approximately 10 days before the end of the term. Each student’s feedback enters the SFS database anonymously and is aggregated with that of other students enrolled in the course. UT Arlington’s effort to solicit, gather, tabulate, and publish student feedback is required by state law; students are strongly urged to participate. For more information, visit <http://www.uta.edu/sfs>.

**Final Review Week**

A period of five class days prior to the first day of final examinations in the long sessions shall be designated as Final Review Week. The purpose of this week is to allow students sufficient time to prepare for final examinations. During this week, there shall be no scheduled activities such as required field trips or performances; and no instructor shall assign any themes, research problems or exercises of similar scope that have a completion date during or following this week *unless specified in the class syllabus*. During Final Review Week, an instructor shall not give any examinations constituting 10% or more of the final grade, except makeup tests and laboratory examinations. In addition, no instructor shall give any portion of the final examination during Final Review Week. During this week, classes are held as scheduled. In addition, instructors are not required to limit content to topics that have been previously covered; they may introduce new concepts as appropriate.

**Emergency Exit Procedures**

Should we experience an emergency event that requires us to vacate the building, students should exit the room and move toward the nearest exit, which is located on the south side of the building. When exiting the building during an emergency, one should never take an elevator but should use the stairwells. Faculty members and instructional staff will assist students in selecting the safest route for evacuation and will make arrangements to assist handicapped individuals.

**Student Support Services**

UT Arlington provides a variety of resources and programs designed to help students develop academic skills, deal with personal situations, and better understand concepts and information related to their courses. Resources include tutoring, major-based learning centers, developmental education, advising and mentoring, personal counseling, and federally funded programs. For individualized referrals, students may visit the reception desk at University College (Ransom Hall), call the Maverick Resource Hotline at 817-272-6107, send a message to [resources@uta.edu](mailto:resources@uta.edu), or view the information at [www.uta.edu/resources](http://www.uta.edu/resources).

**The IDEAS Center (**2nd Floor of Central Library) offers **free** tutoring to all students with a focus on transfer students, sophomores, veterans and others undergoing a transition to UT Arlington. To schedule an appointment with a peer tutor or mentor email [IDEAS@uta.edu](mailto:IDEAS@uta.edu) or call (817) 272-6593.

**Adjustments**

I reserve the right to adjust the course schedule and syllabus in any way that serves the educational needs of the students enrolled in this course.