EC132.06 Principles of Economics - Macro  MTh 6:30 - 7:45 PM, Room: Gasson 209

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Textbook: Gregory Mankiw, Principles of Macroeconomics, Sixth Edition
Through the Boston College online bookstore you can either purchase the Aplia package that includes the online version of the book, displayed as REQUIRED COMPONENT 1: Prin of Macroeconomics (Aplia Access Card), or you can purchase the Aplia package with both the online and the paperback versions of the book, displayed as PACKAGE: Prin of Macroeconomics (w/Aplia Access and Aplia Sticker). The Course Key is HLYQ-5UFA-5DQ6.

Grading Policy: The grade for the course is based on weekly homeworks, two midterm exams and one final exam. The midterm exams are scheduled for Monday, February 11 and Monday, April 8. The final exam is scheduled for Monday, May 13 at 6:30 PM unless otherwise posted on the exam schedule. Homeworks are automatically graded through Aplia and determine 15% of the final grade, each midterm determines 25% of the final grade and the final exam determines the remaining 35% of the final grade.

Make-up exams: Students who cannot take the exams at the announced dates because of medical or family reasons should make sure to let me know as soon as possible. They will take a make-up exam at another date. Missing an exam for a non excusable reason constitutes failing the exam.

Course Outline:
The Market Forces of Supply and Demand ...................... (Mankiw: Chapter 4)
Supply, Demand and Government Policies ........................ (Mankiw: Chapter 6)
The Data of Macroeconomics .................................... (Mankiw: Chapters 10 and 11)
The Economy in the Long Run: Production and Growth ................ (Mankiw: Chapter 12)
The Economy in the Long Run: Saving, Investment and Financial System (Mankiw: Chapter 13)
The Economy in the Long Run: Unemployment ........................ (Mankiw: Chapter 15)
Money and Prices in the Long Run .......................... (Mankiw: Chapters 16 and 17)
Short Run Economic Fluctuations .............................. (Mankiw: Chapters 20, 21 and 22)
The Macroeconomics of Open Economies ......................... (Mankiw: Chapters 18 and 19)

Academic Integrity: Your work on exams is to be entirely your own. Be sure to familiarize yourself with the academic integrity policies at Boston College, a description of which can be found at http://www.bc.edu/integrity
If you are a student with a documented learning disability seeking reasonable accommodations in this course, please contact the Connors Family Learning Center (617-552-8093); regarding all other types of disabilities, please contact the Disability Services Office (617-552-3470).

**Academic Requirements:** This course is designed to meet a number of needs. It is required for the economics major and of CSOM students, it is one of the choices to fulfill the social science CORE requirement, and it serves as an elective to anyone who wants an introduction to macroeconomics. It introduces the basic tools of macroeconomic analysis and applies these tools to problems both of historical interest and of current public policy. It explores the development of macroeconomics through the work of Keynes and post-Keynesian critics. Finally it looks at how we bring together what we learn from economics with what we learn from other fields.

**Important Dates:**

- First Midterm ............................................ February 11
- Second Midterm .......................................... April 8
- Course Final ................................................. May 13