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WACO, TEXAS

COURSE SYLLABUS

AND

INSTRUCTOR PLAN

PRINCIPLES OF MACROECONOMICS

ECON_2301_D077

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NOTE: This is a 16-week course.

NOTE: This is an in class course.

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Course Description:

Analyzes the economy as a whole including measurement and determination of aggregate demand and aggregate supply, national income, inflation, and unemployment. Other topics include international trade, economic growth, business cycles, fiscal policy and monetary policy.

Prerequisites and/or Corequisites:

*Must have passed the TSI Assessment
or be concurrently enrolled in INRW 0402.*

Course Notes and Instructor Recommendations:

You are expected to regularly check your McLennan email account and Brightspace for any updates. Class is from 7:45AM to 8:30AM in room #153.

Instructor Information:

Instructor Name: Jacob Samarron

MCC Email: jsamarron@mclennan.edu

Office Phone Number: (254) 299-8740

Office Location: BT 203

Office/Teacher Conference Hours: MW 12:30PM – 2:00PM, TTH 12:30PM – 2:00PM,

Friday- Virtual, Appointment only

Other Instruction Information: Email is the easiest way to reach me.

Correspondence Policy:

Email is the preferred method of communication. Emails, calls, and messages will be returned within 24 hours of receipt except when received over the weekend or during holidays. Emails received during weekends or holidays will be returned the first business day that the College is open. Students are to include the course and section number in the subject of their emails. Failure to include the course and section number in the email's subject line will result in a delay in response.

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Required Text & Materials:

Title: Principles of Macroeconomics

Author: N. Gregory Mankiw

Edition: 8th or 9th Edition

Publisher: Cengage South-Western

ISBN: 9781305971509

MCC Bookstore Website: <http://www.mclennan.edu/bookstore/>

Methods of Teaching and Learning:

Course instruction will consist of power-point slides along with lecture to emphasize the importance parts of each chapter. There will be individual weekly homework assignments to be completed through Bright Space and periodic quizzes and exams. Every homework assignment will also require you to post and reply to the weekly discussion board. Learning culminates with a final exam

Course Objectives and/or Competencies:

The general objective of principles of Macroeconomics is to learn practical principles, theories, and knowledge of Macroeconomics. Each student should attain a sufficient understanding of the functions of macroeconomic principles and be able to use them to in a professional setting as well as day to day life.. Each student is encouraged to apply the knowledge gained from this course to better understand the economy that they daily participate in.

Course Outline or Schedule:

<i>Session/Date</i>	<i>Topic</i>	<i>Reading</i>	<i>Assignment Due</i>
<i>Week 1: 08-22-23</i>	<i>Introduction to class/ review syllabus</i>	<i>Look over syllabus before class.</i>	
<i>08-24-23</i>	<i>Ten Principles of Economics</i>	<i>Read Chapter:1</i>	<i>Answer Questions provided in Ch:1 folder and complete quiz. Assignments are due on or before 08- 28-23.</i>

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Week 2 08-29-23	<i>Thinking Like an economist</i>	<i>Read Chapter:2</i>	<i>Answer Questions provided in Ch:2 folder and complete quiz. Due by 09-02-23.</i>
08-31-23	<i>Interdependence and the gains from trade</i>	<i>Read Chapter:3</i>	<i>Answer Questions provided in Ch:3 folder, complete. Due by 09-04-23</i>
Week 3 09-05-23	<i>The market forces and supply and demand</i>	<i>Read Chapter:4</i>	
09-07-23	<i>The market forces and supply and demand</i>	<i>Read Chapter 4</i>	<i>Answer Questions provided in Ch:4 folder. Complete Quiz. Due by 09-11-23.</i>
Week 4 01 09-12-23	<i>Supply, Demand, and Government Policies</i>	<i>Read Chapter: 6</i>	
09-14-23	<i>Supply, Demand, and Government Policies</i>	<i>Read Chapter: 6</i>	<i>Answer Questions provided in Ch:6 folder, complete quiz. Due by 09-18-23.</i>
Week 5 09-19-23	<i>Measuring a Nation's Income</i>	<i>Read Chapter:10</i>	
09-21-23	<i>Measuring a Nation's Income</i>	<i>Read Chapter:10</i>	<i>Answer Questions provided in Ch:10 folder, complete quiz. Due by 09-25-23.</i>
Week 6 09-26-23	<i>Measuring the Cost of Living</i>	<i>Read Chapter: 11</i>	<i>Answer Questions provided in Ch:11 folder, complete quiz. Due by 09-30-23.</i>

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09-28-23	<i>Application: International Trade</i>	<i>Read Chapter:9</i>	<i>Answer Questions provided in Ch:9 folder. Complete Quiz. Due by 10-02- 23.</i>
Week 7 Review 10-03, 10-05		<i>Chapters: 1,2,3,4,6,9,10,11</i>	<i>We will review in class on Tuesday and Thursday.</i>
Week 8 10-09-23 - 10-15-23	Mid-term Exam		<i>Mid-term will be open from 10-07-23 through 10-15-23</i>
Week 9 10-17-23	<i>The Basic Tools of Finance</i>	<i>Read Chapter:14</i>	<i>Answer Questions provided in Ch:14 folder, complete quiz. Due by 10-21-23.</i>
10-19-23	<i>Unemployment</i>	<i>Read Chapter:15</i>	
Week 10 10-24-23	<i>Unemployment</i>	<i>Read Chapter:15</i>	<i>Answer Questions provided in Ch:15 folder, complete quiz. Due by 10-28-23</i>
10-26-23	<i>The Monetary System</i>	<i>Read Chapter:16</i>	
Week 11 10-31-23	<i>The Monetary System</i>	<i>Read Chapter:16</i>	<i>Answer Questions provided in Ch:16 folder, complete quiz. Due by 11-04-23</i>
11-02-23	<i>Open-Economy Macroeconomics: Basic Concepts</i>	<i>Read Chapter: 18</i>	<i>Answer Questions provided in Ch:18 folder. Complete</i>

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			<i>Quiz. Due by 11-06-23</i>
Week 12 11-07-23	<i>Aggregate Demand and Aggregate Supply</i>	<i>Read Chapter:20</i>	
11-09-23	<i>Aggregate Demand and Aggregate Supply</i>	<i>Read Chapter:20</i>	<i>Answer Questions provided in Ch:20 folder. Complete Quiz. Due on 11-13-23</i>
Week 13 11-14-23	<i>The Influence of Monetary and Fiscal Policy on Aggregate Demand</i>	<i>Read Chapter:21</i>	
11-16-23	<i>The Influence of Monetary and Fiscal Policy on Aggregate Demand</i>	<i>Read Chapter:21</i>	<i>Answer Questions provided in Ch:21 folder. Complete Quiz. Due on 11-20-23.</i>
Week 14 11-21-23	Catch up Week	<i>View Film on 2008 Housing Crisis</i>	<i>One page paper Assginment due on 11-27-23</i>
11-23-23	Thanksgiving Holiday		
Week 15 11-28-23 – 11-30-23	Review	<i>Finish reviewing for Final</i>	
Week 16 12-05-23	Final!!!	<i>Final will be taken in class on 12-05-23</i>	

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Course Grading Information:

<i>Assignments/ Activities</i>	<i>Description of Assignment</i>	<i>% of Final Grade</i>	<i>Due</i>
<i>Weekly Assignments</i>	<i>Each week students will be assigned problems to complete at the end of each chapter. I will drop three lowest grades.</i>	25%	<i>Due by the start of next weeks class.</i>
<i>Weekly Quizzes</i>	<i>Each week students will complete a quiz on each chapter completed. I will drop three lowest grades.</i>	25%	<i>Due by the start of next weeks class.</i>
<i>Class Participation</i>	<i>Class attendance and student participation in class.</i>	10%	<i>NA</i>
<i>Mid-term Exam</i>	<i>Online Exam consists of multiple choice, fill in the blank, and matching questions.</i>	20%	<i>By 10-15-22</i>
<i>Final Exam</i>	<i>Online Exam consists of multiple choice, fill in the blank, and matching questions.</i>	20%	<i>By 12-06-22</i>

Late Work, Attendance, and Make Up Work Policies:

Late Work:

I will not accept late work unless I have agreed to do so in advance of the due date. Exceptions will only be made for rare circumstances.

Attendance:

Attendance will be taken in class. Please do not fall behind this class is very fast paced and it will be very difficult for you to catch up. If you fail to attend two classes in a row before the census date you will be dropped from the course even if you complete assignments in Brightspace. If you miss more than 25% of the course before 60% of the course is complete then you will be withdrawn from the course. For more details read the business attendance policy below.

Course Attendance/Participation Guidelines:

If a student is not in attendance in accordance with the policies/guidelines of the class as outlined in the course syllabus as of the course census date, faculty are required to drop students from their class roster prior to certifying the respective class roster. A student's financial aid will be re-evaluated accordingly and the student will only receive funding for those courses attended as of the course census date.

Definitions

The terminology we use is important.

Drops occur BEFORE the census date and do not count against the student's maximum withdrawal count of 6 classes, as defined by state law.

Withdrawals occur AFTER the census date and count in the student's maximum withdrawal count of 6 classes.

Face-to-Face Course Attendance Policy (Business Division)

Students enrolled in face-to-face courses are expected to attend class.

The instructor will use a method of their choice for routine recording of student attendance. The official record for student attendance is Brightspace. Instructors must update the official record within 24 hours of a class meeting in the days prior to the census date. After the census date, instructors must update the official record within 48 hours of a class meeting.

If a student fails to appear for face-to-face sessions in the period prior to the census date, the instructor will drop the student for failure to attend even if they complete accessible assignments in Brightspace.

Past census date, for a student to remain in a face-to-face course, they must regularly attend class. If a student misses more than 25% of class meetings prior to the 60% point of the term, the instructor will withdraw the student from the course. If a student misses more than 25% of class meetings and the class is past the 60% point for the term, the instructor will NOT withdraw the student. The student is assigned the grade earned for the course.

If a student attends class meetings but does not complete assignments, they remain in the course and are awarded the grade earned at the end of the term.

Absences are excused in accordance with MCC policy which includes (1) authorized participation in official College functions, (2) personal illness, (3) an illness or a death in the immediate family, (4) Pregnant or Parenting Protections under Title IX and/or Texas State Education Code Chapter 51, Subchapter Z, Section 51.982 or (5) any excused absences as outlined in Section IV of this policy: <https://www.mclennan.edu/employees/policy-manual/docs/B-II.pdf>

Students are required to file a written or electronic request with each instructor for an excused absence in a timely manner.

Student Behavioral Expectations or Conduct Policy:

Students are expected to maintain classroom decorum in the classroom and when online, that includes respect for other students and the instructor, regular attendance, and an attitude that seeks to take full advantage of this education opportunity.

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ACADEMIC RESOURCES/POLICIES

Accommodations/ADA Statement:

Any student who is a qualified individual with a disability may request reasonable accommodations to assist with providing equal access to educational opportunities. Students should contact the Accommodations Coordinator as soon as possible to provide documentation and make necessary arrangements. Once that process is completed, appropriate verification will be provided to the student and instructor. Please note that instructors are not required to provide classroom accommodations to students until appropriate verification has been provided by the Accommodations Coordinator. For additional information, please visit www.mclennan.edu/disability.

Students with questions or who require assistance with disabilities involving physical, classroom, or testing accommodations should contact:

disabilities@mclennan.edu 2542998122 Room
319, Student Services Center

Title IX:

We care about your safety, and value an environment where students and instructors can successfully teach and learn together. If you or someone you know experiences unwelcomed behavior, we are here to help. Individuals who would like to report an incident of sexual misconduct are encouraged to immediately contact the acting Title IX Coordinator at titleix@mclennan.edu or by calling, Dr. Claudette Jackson, (Accommodations/Title IX) at (254) 299-8465. MCC employees are mandatory reporters and must report incidents immediately to the Title IX Coordinator. Individuals may also contact the MCC Police Department at (254) 299-8911 or the MCC Student Counseling Center at (254) 299-8210. The MCC Student Counseling Center is a

confidential resource for students. Any student or employee may report sexual harassment anonymously by visiting <http://www.lighthouse-services.com/mclennan/>. Go to McLennan's Title IX webpage at www.mclennan.edu/titleix/. It contains more information about definitions, reporting, confidentiality, resources, and what to do if you or someone you know is a victim of sexual misconduct, gender-based violence or the crimes of rape, acquaintance rape, sexual assault, sexual harassment, stalking, dating violence, or domestic violence.

Student Support/Resources:

MCC provides a variety of services to support student success in the classroom and in your academic pursuits to include counseling, tutors, technology help desk, advising, financial aid, etc. A listing of these and the many other services available to our students is available at <http://www.mclennan.edu/campus-resource-guide/>

Academic Support and Tutoring is here to help students with all their course-related needs. Specializing in one-on-one tutoring, developing study skills, and effectively writing essays. Academic Support and Tutoring can be found in the Library and main floor of the Learning Commons. This service is available to students in person or through Zoom. You can contact the Academic Support and Tutoring team via Zoom or email (ast@mclennan.edu) by going to our website (<https://www.mclennan.edu/academic-support-and-tutoring/>).

College personnel recognize that food, housing, and transportation are essential for student success. If you are having trouble securing these resources or want to explore strategies for balancing life and school, we encourage you to contact either MCC CREW – Campus Resources Education Web by calling (254) 299-8561 or by emailing crew@mclennan.edu or a Success Coach by calling (254) 299-8226 or emailing SuccessCoach@mclennan.edu. Both are located in the Completion Center located on the second floor of the Student Services Center (SSC) which is open Monday-Friday from 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Paulanne's Pantry (MCC's food pantry) provides free food by appointment to students, faculty and staff. To schedule an appointment, go to https://mclennan.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_07byXd7eB8iTqJg. Both the Completion Center and Paulanne's Pantry are located on the second floor of the Student Services Center (SSC).

MCC Foundation Emergency Grant Fund:

Unanticipated expenses, such as car repairs, medical bills, housing, or job loss can affect us all. Should an unexpected expense arise, the MCC Foundation has an emergency grant fund that may be able to assist you. Please go to

<https://www.mclennan.edu/foundation/scholarships-and-resources/emergencygrant.html>

to find out more about the emergency grant. The application can be found at

https://www.mclennan.edu/foundation/docs/Emergency_Grant_Application.pdf.

MCC Academic Integrity Statement:

Go to www.mclennan.edu/academic-integrity for information about academic integrity, dishonesty, and cheating. The unauthorized use of artificial intelligence (AI) for classwork can be a violation of the College's General Conduct Policy. Whether AI is authorized in a course and the parameters in which AI can be used in a course will be outlined by each instructor.

Minimum System Requirements to Utilize MCC's D2L|Brightspace:

Go to <https://www.mclennan.edu/center-for-teachingandlearning/FacultyandStaffCommons/requirements.html> for information on the minimum system requirements needed to reliably access your courses in MCC's D2L|Brightspace learning management system.

Minimum Technical Skills:

Students should have basic computer skills, knowledge of word processing software, and a basic understanding of how to use search engines and common web browsers.

Backup Plan for Technology:

In the event MCC's technology systems are down, you will be notified via your MCC student email address. Please note that all assignments and activities will be due on the date specified in the Instructor Plan, unless otherwise noted by the instructor.

Email Policy:

McLennan Community College would like to remind you of the policy (<http://www.mclennan.edu/employees/policy-manual/docs/E-XXXI-B.pdf>) regarding college email. All students, faculty, and staff are encouraged to use their McLennan email addresses when conducting college business.

A student's McLennan email address is the preferred email address that college employees should use for official college information or business. Students are

expected to read and, if needed, respond in a timely manner to college emails. For more information about your student email account, go to www.mclennan.edu/studentemail.

Instructional Uses of Email:

Faculty members can determine classroom use of email or electronic communications. Faculty should expect and encourage students to check the college email on a regular basis. Faculty should inform students in the course syllabus if another communication method is to be used and of any special or unusual expectations for electronic communications.

If a faculty member prefers not to communicate by email with their students, it should be reflected in the course syllabus and information should be provided for the preferred form of communication.

Email on Mobile Devices:

The College recommends that you set up your mobile device to receive McLennan emails. If you need assistance with set-up, you may email Helpdesk@mclennan.edu for help.

You can find help on the McLennan website about connecting your McLennan email account to your mobile device:

- [Email Setup for iPhones and iPads](#)
- [Email Setup for Androids](#)

Forwarding Emails:

You may forward emails that come to your McLennan address to alternate email addresses; however, the College will not be held responsible for emails forwarded to an alternate address that may be lost or placed in junk or spam filters.

For more helpful information about technology at MCC, go to [MCC's Tech Support Cheat Sheet](#) or email helpdesk@mclennan.edu.

Disclaimer:

The resources and policies listed above are merely for informational purposes and are subject to change without notice or obligation. The College reserves the right to change policies and other requirements in compliance with State and Federal laws. The provisions of this document do not constitute a contract.