

Welcome to Principles of Macroeconomics!

ECON 3, Winter 2019

Information

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Send all Econ 3 related email to the gmail address, not my UCSD email.

My office hours and those of the TAs will be posted on Tritoned once they are available.

MATERIALS FOR THE CLASS

Required:

- 1. Principles of Economics, 7th Edition, by Frank, Bernanke, Antonovics, Heffetz. Also used for Econ 1 and Econ 2. The older editions are not suitable substitutes because of major changes made to the macro chapters in this edition.
- 2. A nonprogrammable scientific calculator needed for exams. (Example, TI-30XA.)
- 3. Materials and videos that I will post on Tritoned.

Highly recommended:

Connect access code. This will allow you to gain access to the digital materials that accompany the textbook, such as the problem sets that I will post on Tritoned. You can buy the textbook bundled with a Connect access code for \$100 at the UCSD Bookstore.

Grades

22%: Midterm #1 **Jan. 30**, 7 pm - 8:20 pm, Peterson 108

22%: Midterm #2 **Feb. 21**, 7 pm - 8:20 pm, Peterson 108

56%: Final exam 11 am lecture is on **Mon. 3/18** 11:30–2:29

12 lecture is on **Wed. 3/20** 11:30-2:29

- Homework exercises themselves are not part of the grade but doing them will almost certainly raise your grade.
- Going to discussion sections is strongly recommended but not required.

 If space permits, you may attend any discussion section of your choosing.
- The final exam is cumulative since the later material builds on the earlier material.

Academic Integrity

Academic dishonesty will not be tolerated. All suspected cases of academic dishonesty will be reported to the Academic Integrity Coordinator. Students found guilty of academic dishonesty will earn a failing grade for the course in addition to the penalties imposed by the Academic Integrity Review Board.

The following are just a few examples of academic dishonesty:

- Using unauthorized materials during an exam.
- Looking at another student's answers during an exam.
- Having someone else take your exam for you.
- Lying about having taken an exam or completed an assignment.

For more information, go to: http://academicintegrity.ucsd.edu/excel-integrity/define-cheating/index.html

ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES

- 1. If you need to **miss a midterm** for a verifiable medical/legal/sports reason, I will up-weight your grades on the other midterm and the final. Failure to notify me promptly that you must miss a midterm will result in a zero grade for that midterm. Unexcused absences will also result in a zero.
- 2. If you **arrive late to an exam**, I will allow you to take the exam in the time that remains as long as no one has turned in his/her exam and left the room. Once a classmate has turned in his/her exam, you will earn a zero on the test if you arrive late.
- 3. UCSD has automated waitlists. If you have any questions regarding adding the class, please refer to Triton Link or contact the undergraduate advisors in Sequoyah Hall 245.

Topic Outline

Part 6: Macroeconomics: Issues and Data

Chapter 16: Macroeconomics: A Bird's-Eye View of the Economy

Chapter 17: Measuring Economic Activity: GDP and Unemployment

Chapter 18: Measuring the Price Level and Inflation

Part 7: The Economy in the Long-Run

Chapter 19: Economic Growth, Productivity and Living Standards (Skip Chapter 20)

Chapter 21: Savings and Capital Formation

Chapter 22: Money, Prices, and the Federal Reserve

Chapter 23: Financial Markets and International Capital Flows

Part 8: The Economy in the Short-Run

Chapter 24: Short-Term Fluctuations: An Introduction

Chapter 25: Spending and Output in the Short Run

Chapter 26: Stabilizing the Economy: The Role of the Fed (as much as time permits)

Chapter 28: Exchange Rates and the Open Economy (if time permits)

Getting Started with Connect

- 1.Log into Tritoned and go to Econ 3.
- 2.Click "Content" on the left column and then click "McGraw-Hill Higher Education"
- 3. Follow prompts to "Continue" and "Register Now."
- **4.**Enter your **UCSD email address**. This is important. If you register with some other email address, you will need to contact McGraw-Hill customer support to change your email address (see below for contact information).
- 5. Enter your access code, or select "Buy Online."

More detailed instructions are available in the "Course Administration" file on the Econ 3 Tritoned page.

Supplemental Instruction

In addition to the team of teaching assistants provided by the Economics Department, the Academic Achievement Hub has assigned two instructional leaders who will each hold sessions three times a week. The leaders are advanced undergraduate economics majors who took Econ 3 from me in the past. Their sections are as follows:

Instructional leader and sessions for the 11 am class:

Xiao (Catherine) Huang xih181@ucsd.edu Sessions TBA

Instructional leader and sessions for the 12 o'clock class:

Jiaxin Ge jig099@ucsd.edu

Monday	1:00p-1:50p	TLC 1504
Tuesday	3:00p-3:50p	TLC 1504
Friday	1:00p-1:50p	TLC 1504

Questions about Syllabus?