ECON 100-Principles of Macroeconomics College of San Mateo-Fall 2018 Course Syllabus

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Office Hours:

M 12-2pm, W 12-1pm, Th 1230-130pm

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Required Text/Access: Macroeconomics by Hubbard and O'Brien, 6th edition, including access to MyEconLab.

*The payment for the text/MyEconLab access will be charged directly to your school account, do **NOT** buy anything before class starts. If you are enrolled in class after the census date you cannot get a refund.

Course Description: The American economy; the price system; the role of business, labor, and government; the money and banking system; trends of national income and factors in its determination; problems and policies for stabilization and growth. (AA: Area E5b, CSU: Area D, UC: Area 4)

Student Learning Outcomes

- 1. Identify some of the fundamental economic concepts.
- 2. Analyze macroeconomic issues such as unemployment, inflation and economic growth.
- 3. Evaluate fiscal and monetary policy responses to macroeconomic instabilities.

Attendance

Regular attendance in class is an obligation assumed by every student at the time of registration. Regular attendance affords the student the opportunity to acquire the content of the specific session and, over the length of the course, the continuity of the professor's plan for the presentation of the subject matter in the course. It is the student's responsibility to withdraw when absences have been excessive (Absence means non-attendance for whatever reason.) A professor can drop a student from a course if excessive absences, in the opinion of the professor, have placed the student's success in jeopardy. It is the prerogative of the professor to determine what absences have been excessive.

- *Students who have more than 4 excused absences/tardies will be dropped. If the drop deadline has passed a student may receive an F for excessive absences, regardless of current grade.
- *Missing any class within the first two weeks will result in you being **dropped** from the class if there are other students on the waitlist or trying to add. Students must contact me **prior** to missing class via email to avoid being dropped.
- *It is the responsibility of the student to withdraw from the class if he/she desires a "W". The instructor accepts no responsibility for dropping students
- *Students are solely responsible for anything covered or assigned from a missed class, it is not the instructor's responsibility to keep you informed if you are absent. **This includes any in-class work that counts for points.**

Grading:

Homework and In-Class work-17% (2 lowest scores will be dropped)
Participation-3% (1% each for participating in class throughout the semester)
Quizzes-20% (6 total, lowest score will be dropped)
Exams-60% (3 exams worth 20% each)

Grades will be determined as follows:

92-100 = A	79-81.9 = B-	62-66.9 = D
89-91.9 = A-	77-78.9 = C+	60-61.9 = D-
87-88.9 = B+	70-76.9 = C	0-59.9 = F
82-86.9 = B	67-69.9 = D+	

Examination Policies

Exams will consist of multiple choice and free response/essay components. Three Scantron forms, number SC982-E will be needed, one for each exam and the final. Makeup exams will be given only on a limited basis due to extenuating circumstances (be prepared to show documentation for any excuse, i.e. a doctor's note for sickness); **permission to take a makeup needs be obtained prior to missing the exam**. All makeup exams must be taken within two weeks of the scheduled exam date. **The final exam must be taken as scheduled.**

- *Students are expected to have a calculator for exams and a cell phone will not be allowed as a replacement.
- *You may not leave the room during an examination for any reason, otherwise you must turn in your exam as is.

Assignments and Quizzes

Homework will be assigned most weeks throughout the semester through Canvas/MyEconLab and must be completed by the assigned due date. Late homework will not be accepted for any credit, but two assignments will be dropped from the homework total.

In-class work will also count towards the homework score. Any missed in class assignments will be counted as a zero (these are also considered when the two lowest hw scores are dropped). Quizzes will also be given periodically through MyEconLab and must be completed by the assigned due date. Late quizzes will not be accepted for any credit, but one quiz will be dropped from the total.

Quiz Policy: Quizzes are to be done on your own without the assistance of other students/outside resources. Any collaboration amongst students will be considered cheating and result in a zero score that will not be dropped.

Extra Credit Eligibility

Usually an extra credit assignment will be offered towards the end of the semester that can improve your grade up to 2% (mainly intended to decide borderline grades.) You need to have missed no more than 4 classes and have a homework score of 95% or above to be eligible to turn in extra credit.

Accommodations

If you have a documented disability and need accommodations for this class, please contact the Disability Resource Center (Building 10 Room 120, 650 574-6438, csmdrc@smccd.edu) for assistance. If you have a current letter of accommodation from the Disability Resource Center, please see me as soon as possible.

*A list of all Student Support Services can be found in the schedule of classes/on campus website.

Academic Honesty

The college standards of academic honesty will be applied in this class. Dishonesty such as cheating in any form, plagiarism, or knowingly furnishing false information to the College and its officials is prohibited and may lead to appropriate disciplinary action. This includes inappropriately using your notes or phone on an exam, or inappropriate resources on a quiz.

Sexual Harassment

The San Mateo County Community College District is committed to maintaining safe and caring college environments at Cañada College, College of San Mateo and Skyline College. The District has established policies and procedures regarding Sexual Misconduct, Harassment, and Assault. A District website has also been developed which provides you with important information about sexual misconduct and sexual assault. http://smccd.edu/titleix/

Equity

The faculty at College of San Mateo affirm that students are entitled to an equitable learning environment that celebrates their voice, fosters their agency, and develops their capacity for self-advocacy, and that is free of unfair practices. If you feel you are in an environment that is not conducive to your learning or you want to learn more about educational equity, please come talk to me. You may also contact CSM's Director of Equity (collegeofsanmateo.edu/equity) to explore your options.

Classroom Conduct

The diversity of the College of San Mateo student population provides us with a unique opportunity to experience the difference among us. At times we may disagree on a particular point; however, our discussions will always remain respectful of these differences. We will treat others with dignity and respect in the classroom.

Cell phones and other electronic devices must be turned off when you enter the classroom. If you inappropriately use any electronic devices you will be asked to leave the class or miss the next class. You will also be given a 0 for an in class assignment.

Course Outline (May be subject to change)

Exams are roughly every 6 weeks, exact dates for Exams 1 & 2 will be discussed in class. For the Final Exam (Exam #3) see finals schedule @ http://collegeofsanmateo.edu/finalexams/

Exam #1 - Chapters 1-3, 8

Exam #2 - Chapters 9-11

Exam #3 - Chapters 13-16

Important Dates

(This is only a reference, please refer to the schedule of classes for a comprehensive list)

9/3 - Labor Day Holiday (Monday)

9/3 - Last day to drop w/o a "W"

10/10 – Flex Day, no classes (Wednesday)

11/12 – Veterans Day Holiday (Monday)

11/14 - Last day to drop with a "W"

11/22-11/23 – Thanksgiving Holiday (Thursday-Friday)