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## ECON 201-01 Macroeconomics

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## **Xavier University Spring 2012**

College of Business , Department of Economics  
Macroeconomics- CRN -11591 ECON 201 – 01  
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**Book:** Macroeconomics by McConnell, Brue, Flynn 19th ed. McGraw Hill  
(You can rent the book at the bookstore).

**Blackboard:** [www.myxu.xu.edu](http://www.myxu.xu.edu) Blackboard  
(Selected class material will be posted to blackboard; not lecture notes).

### **Exams and Grading**

Four exams. Grade will be based on the average of the 4 exams. .  
There will be some comprehensive material on Exam 4.  
The exam format will be Multiple choice, numerical problems, graphs, matching and fill in.  
**A** : 90-100, **A-** : 89, **B+**., 88, **B**: 80-87 , **B -**: 79,  
**C+**: 78, **C**: 70 -77 , **C-**: 69 , **D+** 68 , **D** 60 -67 **D-** 59 **F** < 59

Any student caught cheating on an exam will be given a grade of F on that exam.

### **Extra credit**

In class **quizzes**, which count 16pts. Quiz points will be added to the test score.  
If you miss a quiz 1 pt is subtracted for each day quiz is late unless there is a valid reason listed below.

**Paper:** 4 points added to test 4 score : 2 page summary of an article on macroeconomics.  
Paper is due on April 27 (email or print out). 1 point subtracted for each day paper is late.

The following are the only valid reasons for missing an exam or quiz

Medical excuse (Doctor note required), School related excuse (Note from school official required)

Work excuse (Note from employer required) , Funeral (Death notice required)

If you do not have a valid reason for missing an\_1 point will be subtracted from your test score for each day after the regular test date.

The makeup exam will be more difficult.

It is the student's responsibility to notify the instructor with regard to a makeup exam.

### **Course Objective**

This course will provide the student with an introductory understanding of economic indicators, macroeconomic models , Economic policy and Presidential Economics..

**Notes:**

There will be class material which is not from the book or posted on blackboard.  
A basic knowledge of algebra is assumed.

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We educate students of business, enabling them to improve organizations and society, consistent with the Jesuit tradition.

**Important Dates**

Classes begin January 9  
Martin Luther King Holiday , No Class January 16.  
Spring Break March 5 -9. No classes  
Easter Holiday April 5-9 No classes.  
April 10 Final day for withdrawal from full time undergraduate classes  
April 27 Last day of full term classes  
April 28 – May 4 Final Exams.

**This syllabus is subject to change**

**WEEKLY ASSIGNMENTS Macro Econ 201 001 MWF 8:30**

This schedule is subject to change.

**January 9 , 11, 13**

**M, W, F** : Introduction, Business cycle, Economic data sources,  
Chapters 1, 6, page 171

**January 16, 18, 20**

Chapters 6, 7,8 , 9  
**M** Martin Luther King Holiday no class  
**W, F** : Economic indicators : , GDP, Inflation, Unemployment.

**January 23, 25, 27**

**M W**, Budget deficits and debt. p. 266-275 **F Quiz**

**January 30, February 1, February 3**

**M** Video **W** Review **F Exam 1**

**February 6, 8, 10**

Chapters 10, 11 **M** Classical model **W F** : Keynes model

**February 13, 15, 17**

Chapters 10, 11, 13  
**M W** Keynes Fiscal Policy **F Quiz** 4pts

**February 20, 22, 24**

**M** Review **W** Review **F Exam 2**

**February 27, 29, March 2**

**MWF** Federal Reserve and Monetary Policy Chapters 14-16 , page 382, 383

**March 5, 7, 9**

Spring Break No Class

**March 12, 14, 16**

**MWF** Supply Side Model / Reaganomics

**Chapter 12. and p. 374-377**

**March 19, 21, 23**

**M** Bush **W** Bush **F Quiz** Chapter 12, Page 367-370

**March 26, 28, 30**

**M** Review **W Exam 3** **F** Clinton

**April 2, 4, 6**

**M** Clinton **W** Credit Crisis p. 290 -293

**F.** No class Easter Holiday : Watch Credit Crisis video online.

**April 9, 11, 13**

**M** No class Easter Holiday , Watch Obama video online

**WF** Obama

**April 16, 18, 20**

**MW** Republican Agenda **F** Quiz

**April 23, 25, 27**

**M** Review **W** Review, **F** Paper due.

**Wednesday May 2 Exam 4** at 8:30 ( regular room)