

COURSE IMPLEMENTATION DATE: April 1992
 COURSE REVISED IMPLEMENTATION DATE: September 2010
 COURSE TO BE REVIEWED: March 2014
(four years after UPAC approval) *(month, year)*

OFFICIAL UNDERGRADUATE COURSE OUTLINE INFORMATION

Students are advised to keep course outlines in personal files for future use.
 Shaded headings are subject to change at the discretion of the department – see course syllabus available from instructor

<u>ECON 410</u>	<u>Economics</u>	<u>3</u>
COURSE NAME/NUMBER	FACULTY/DEPARTMENT	UFV CREDITS
Macroeconomics and Financial Markets		
COURSE DESCRIPTIVE TITLE		

CALENDAR DESCRIPTION:

This course examines the economy as a whole, with a focus on financial markets. Topics include financial markets and institutions, the management of financial institutions, inflation and unemployment, interest rates in money and capital markets, savings and investment, business cycles, international finance, and economic growth.

PREREQUISITES: ECON 100, ECON 101, and at least three credits of upper-level economics; or 45 university-level credits including ECON 100 and ECON 101.
Note: As of September 2011, prerequisites will change to the following: 45 university-level credits, including ECON 100 and ECON 101.

COREQUISITES:
 PRE or COREQUISITES:

SYNONYMOUS COURSE(S):

- (a) Replaces: _____
- (b) Cross-listed with: _____
- (c) Cannot take: _____ for further credit.

SERVICE COURSE TO: *(department/program)*

TOTAL HOURS PER TERM: 45

STRUCTURE OF HOURS:

Lectures: 45 Hrs
 Seminar: _____ Hrs
 Laboratory: _____ Hrs
 Field experience: _____ Hrs
 Student directed learning: _____ Hrs
 Other (specify): _____ Hrs

TRAINING DAY-BASED INSTRUCTION:

Length of course: _____
 Hours per day: _____

OTHER:

Maximum enrolment: 28
 Expected frequency of course offerings: Two semesters per year
(every semester, annually, every other year, etc.)

WILL TRANSFER CREDIT BE REQUESTED? (lower-level courses only) Yes No
WILL TRANSFER CREDIT BE REQUESTED? (upper-level requested by department) Yes No
TRANSFER CREDIT EXISTS IN BCCAT TRANSFER GUIDE: Yes No

Course designer(s): <u>Vladimir Dvoracek</u>	Date approved: <u>March 2010</u>
Department Head: <u>Vladimir Dvoracek</u>	Date of meeting: <u>March 26, 2010</u>
Supporting area consultation (Pre-UPAC)	Date approved: <u>May 7, 2010</u>
Curriculum Committee chair: <u>John Carroll</u>	Date approved: <u>May 7, 2010</u>
Dean/Associate VP: <u>Jacqueline Nolte / Eric Davis</u>	Date of meeting: <u>May 21, 2010</u>
Undergraduate Program Advisory Committee (UPAC) approval	

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Detail the functions and workings of financial markets;
- Describe how money is created and seigniorage collected;
- Calculate interest rates using models of their term structure;
- Compute the effects of credit risk on asset prices;
- Describe the financial regulatory system;
- Perform calculations on bank capital and reserves;
- Illustrate the workings of government monetary policy;
- Analyze economic fluctuations, business cycles, and economic growth;
- Apply macroeconomic models to monetary and fiscal policy issues.

METHODS: *(Guest lecturers, presentations, online instruction, field trips, etc.)*

Lectures will develop theories and apply them to problems in economics and business. There will be extensive use of graphing and problem solving. Formal analytic analysis and the economic intuition that underlies it are used.

METHODS OF OBTAINING PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT RECOGNITION (PLAR):

- Examination(s) Portfolio assessment Interview(s)
- Other (specify): PLAR cannot be awarded for this course for the following reason(s):

TEXTBOOKS, REFERENCES, MATERIALS: *[Textbook selection varies by instructor. Examples for this course might be:]*

Mishkin, Frederic, *The Economics of Money, Banking, and Financial Markets*, 8th edition, Pearson.
Intermediate MACRO, Robert Barro, South-Western College Pub, 2009.

STUDENT EVALUATION: *[An example of student evaluation for this course might be:]*

Quizzes and midterms	20%
Final exam	30%
Presentations	20%
Assignments and paper	20%
Participation	10%

COURSE CONTENT: *[Course content varies by instructor. An example of course content might be:]*

An Overview of the Financial System
What Is Money?
Understanding Interest rates
The Behavior of Interest Rates
The Risk and Term Structure of Interest Rates
The Stock Market, the Theory of Rational Expectations, and the Efficient Market Hypothesis
An Economic Analysis of Financial Structure
Banking and the Management of Financial Institutions
Banking Industry: Structure and Competition
Economic Analysis of Banking Regulation
Structure of Central Banks and the Federal Reserve System
Multiple Deposit Creation and the Money Supply Process
Determinants of the Money Supply
Tools of Monetary Policy
What Should Central Banks Do? Monetary Policy Goals, Strategy, and Tactics
The Foreign Exchange Market
The International Financial System
The Demand for Money
The ISLM Model
Monetary and Fiscal Policy in the ISLM Model
Aggregate Demand and Supply Analysis
Market clearing macroeconomic models
Fiscal and Monetary Policy: The Evidence
Money and Inflation
Rational Expectations: Implications for Policy