Term: Summer II 2017
Time: TTh 1:00p.m.- 4:30p.m.
Room: Engineering 2 194
Credit Hours: 5

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Description: For all interested students and prospective economics majors. Examines how the overall level of national economic activity is determined, including output, employment, and inflation. Explores the roles of monetary and fiscal policies in stabilizing the economy and promoting growth, with a focus on contemporary policy debates. (General Education Code(s): PE-H, IS.)

Prerequisite(s): None.

Course Outline:

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This course syllabus provides a general plan for the course; deviations may be necessary. Can be taken concurrently with Econ 1.
Expected Conduct Students are expected to be attentive and not to interfere with the learning of others. Side conversations should be kept to the bare minimum, unless we are doing group work. Cell phones and other electronic devices should be on silent mode or turned off.

Students are allowed (and encouraged) to work with classmates or to come to my office for help. Homework is assigned as a learning exercise. Even while working with others, you should be sure you understand and can solve the exercises independently. Students may be assigned to work with a small group, either in class or out of class. These groups will be asked to present solutions, proofs, etc. to the class.

Students are expected to attend and participate in class. By participation, I mean being on time, paying attention, taking notes, asking relevant questions, working out examples, answering questions, giving suggestions, possibly demonstrating techniques for the class, etc.

Attendance: Students are expected to attend class daily and arrive in a timely fashion. Attendance will be taken. Students will lose 1% point per absence after 2 unexcused absences. Each time you are late counts as .5 of an absence.

Policy on Academic Honesty: Plagiarism and cheating will not be tolerated and may lead to course failure and possible dismissal from the University. You are responsible to being attentive to or observant of campus policies about academic honesty as stated in the University’s Student Conduct Code. You may work with a friend on homework but write your own answers. Students who turn in written assignments with identical answers will both receive zeroes on the assignment.

Homework/Quizzes: will be submitted in person before class starts. Assignments turned in after class starts are considered late and cannot get the full HW score.

In-Class Exams: There will be two 100 points in-class exams. The exams are scheduled for August 10th, and August 22nd.

Make-Up Policy: There will be no makeups on homework/quizzes, and in-class work. Makeups on an exam will be given at the discretion of the instructor. A legitimate and verifiable excuse is required. If the excuse is approved, the makeup will be given within one week of the missed test.

Final Exam: The final exam is a comprehensive exam worth 200 points. It is scheduled for Thursday, August 31st 1:00p.m.- 4:30p.m. It is here, in our classroom. The University’s final exam regulations will be strictly followed.

Grades: There will be two midterms and a final, along with homework and attendance.

Grades will be calculated based on the following weights:

25% Exam 1
25% Exam 2
35% Comprehensive final exam
15% Problem sets

100-94% = A
93-90% = A-
89-87% = B+
86-84% = B
83-80% = B-
79-77% = C+
76-74% = C
73-70% = C-
Below 70% COME SEE ME!

Nobody in this class should get below a C-, if you are having troubles and need help, please come see me IMMEDIATELY! Do not wait until it is too late in the semester, because it will be harder for me to help
you at that point.

**Important Deadlines:** Registration and add/drop ends Aug. 3rd. The last day to withdraw from the course is Aug. 18th.

**Student Disabilities Policy:** If you have now or develop during this semester a physical or learning disability and you want your professor to make reasonable accommodations for that, you must contact the Disability Resource Center (DRC) at (831) 459-2089. Once the Disability Resource Center has received appropriate documentation, they will inform your instructors.

**Academic Assistance at UCSC:** 1. MSI Sections: