

PRINCIPLES OF MACROECONOMICS
ECONOMICS EC1022A-001
Department of Economics
Western University

Summer 2022

General Information:

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• Office hours will be held in person (Drop by my office during scheduled office hours)

Delivery mode: In-person, (unless COVID restrictions dictate otherwise)

Meeting time(s): W 19:00-22:00 p.m. (EST)

Classroom: SSC 2028

Course website: <https://owl.uwo.ca/portal>

Undergraduate inquiries: 519-661-3507 or SSC Room 4075 or econugrd@uwo.ca

Course delivery with respect to COVID-19 pandemic

Although the intent is for this course to be delivered in-person, the changing COVID-19 landscape may necessitate some or all of the course to be delivered online, either synchronously (i.e. at the times indicated in the timetable) or asynchronously (e.g. posted on OWL for students to view at their convenience). The number and the weights of assessments may change if we are to move online.

When deemed necessary, tests and examinations in this course will be conducted using a remote proctoring service. By taking this course, you are consenting to the use of this software and acknowledge that you will be required to provide personal information (including some biometric data) and the session will be recorded. Completion of this course will require you to have a reliable internet connection and a device that meets the technical requirements for this service. More information about this remote proctoring service, including technical requirements, is available on Western's Remote Proctoring website at <https://remoteproctoring.uwo.ca>.

Registration:

You are responsible for ensuring you are registered in the correct courses. If you are not registered in this course, the Department will not release any of your marks until your registration is corrected. You may check your timetable by using the Login on the Student Services website at <https://student.uwo.ca>. If you notice a problem, please contact your home Faculty Academic Counsellor immediately.

Prerequisite:

The prerequisite(s) for this course is (are) **Economics 1021A/B. Students must either take Economics 1021A/B before Economics1022A/B or they must take the two courses concurrently.**

You are responsible for ensuring that you have successfully completed all course prerequisites, and that you have not taken any anti-requisite courses. Lack of prerequisites may not be used as a basis for appeal. If you are found to be ineligible for a course, you may be removed from it at any time and you will receive no adjustment to your fees. This decision cannot be appealed.

If you find that you do not have the course prerequisites, it is in your best interest to drop the course well before the end of the add/drop period. Your prompt attention to this matter will not only help protect your academic record, but will ensure that spaces become available for students who require the course in question for graduation.

Course Objectives:

The goal of this course is to introduce you to the macroeconomic principles that will enable you to understand and interpret economic events in the world around you. You will learn what causes the economy to go through cycles of growth and contraction, and how the government can influence the economy to attempt to moderate these cycles.

Course Learning Outcomes:

Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be able to understand, explain and analyse:

- The various measures of macroeconomic activity
- The economic models that determine equilibrium in an economy
- How market participants interact with each other and the impact of these interactions on a national and global level
- The various phases of the business cycle and explain how key macroeconomic variables behave in these phases.
- The requirements for long-term growth.

Textbook(s) and Course Materials:

MACROECONOMICS Canada in the Global Environment, tenth edition, by Michael Parkin and Robin Bade, 2019 (also available as an eText).

MyEconLab: (*required for assessments*)

- Website: www.pearsonmylabandmastering.com
- Course ID: **cornelius56031**

- Access code comes with the purchase of a new textbook, or can be purchased separately
- To register for MyLab for this course (Course ID: cornelius56031), see the student registration handout for MyLab Economics on the course website www.owl.ca under Resources
- Students must register for MyLab Economics using their **UWO email and UWO student number**. Students using emails other than their UWO emails and/or without their UWO student number will be removed. If an account is removed, all activities associated with that account will also be removed.

Technical Requirements

- Laptop or computer
- Stable internet connection
- Microphone
- Webcam
- Scanner/Smartphone

This equipment is needed for the following purposes: (1) to access the resources and announcements on OWL, (2) to be prepared for unforeseen circumstances. One such circumstance is that, if due to Covid 19 there is another lockdown and classes return to virtual, students may be required write exams on OWL and scan or take pictures of handwritten answers and either send these images to the instructor via email or upload them onto OWL.

For technical support, see the OWL help page or contact Western Technology Services Helpdesk (<https://wts.uwo.ca/about-wts/contact.html>). Google Chrome or Mozilla Firefox are the preferred browsers for OWL; update your browser frequently.

Tentative Course Schedule:

Week	Dates	Chapters
1	May 09-May 13	Chapter 4
2	May 16-May 20	Chapter 5
Victoria Day Holiday (May 23rd)		
3	May 23-May 27	Chapter 6
4	May 30-June 03	Chapter 7
5	June 06-June 10	Chapter 8
6	June 13-June 17	Chapter 9
7	June 20-June 24	Chapter 10
8	June 27-July 01	Chapter 11
Canada Day Holiday (July 1st)		
9	July 04-July 08	Chapter 12
10	July 11-July 15	Chapter 13
11	July 18-July 22	Chapter 14
12	July 25-July 29	Review

Assessments and Grading:

All regularly scheduled assessments in this course will be held in-person unless circumstances dictate otherwise. The tentative date, coverage and weight of the assessments in the calculation of your course mark are as follows:

Assessment	Date	Chapters	Weight
Test 1	May 25	Ch. 4-5	15%
Test 2	June 15	Ch. 6-8	20%
Test 3	July 6	Ch. 9-11	20%
Final Exam	TBA	Ch. 4-14	45%

The dates/times of the tests and exams are tentative and subject to change, Students will be notified once the date/times are officially scheduled by the Registrar's Office.

Tests will be multiple choice format. Tests may vary in length and the specific time limit for each test will be announced no later than the Friday preceding each test date. No individual test will have a time limit exceeding 2 hours, unless students have accommodation.

During assessments, students are forbidden to communicate with any person other than an examination proctor or the instructor. Students are forbidden from using any books, notes, study guides, diagrams, communication equipment such as a cell phone, computer programs or software, online resources or websites, or other aids unless specifically authorized by the instructor. Such authorization will be stated explicitly in the assessment instructions.

Students should keep this schedule and workload in mind given their other courses and commitments. Students should plan ahead to ensure that they have the capacity to complete the tests on these dates. Students should notify the instructor of conflicts with **any** of these test dates **no later than May 20**.

Missed Test Policy:

There are no make-ups for the missed tests. Students with approved absence from a test will have the weight of the missed test transferred to the final exam. Note that students who miss **more than 40%** of the course weight during the term will not be permitted to reweight them to the final exam and will receive a zero grade for these missed assessments. In addition, they are likely not to have met the course learning outcomes and may not be permitted to pass the course, regardless of grades received on the previous or remaining tests. They should contact the instructor for additional steps.

Students who miss the final exam, with approved documentation will have a makeup final exam that may differ in format from the original scheduled final exam and may be delivered on a different platform.

Students who miss any assessment (whether a test or final exam) **must** follow Western University's procedures for approval of their absence in order to receive an accommodation. Please see the **Please Note Department Policies for 2021-2022** section of this syllabus for details on these procedures. If during the Summer 2022 term Western University announces any changes to these procedures, please follow those procedures.

Professionalism, Privacy and Copyright:

- Students are expected to follow the [Student Code of Conduct](#).
- All lectures and course materials, including slides, presentations, outlines, and similar materials, are protected by **copyright**. Students may take notes and make copies of course materials for their own educational purposes only.
- Students may not record lectures, reproduce (or allow others to reproduce), post or distribute lecture notes, assessments, or any other course materials publicly and/or for commercial purposes without written consent of the instructor.
- Recordings (audio or video) are not permitted without explicit, written permission of the instructor. Permitted recordings may not be distributed or shared.
- Students are expected to follow online etiquette expectations provided on OWL (*if applicable; otherwise delete this bullet point*)
- Students will be expected to take an academic integrity pledge before some assessments (*if applicable; otherwise delete this bullet point*)
- Some sessions may be recorded by the instructor. Recorded sessions will remain within the course site or be unlisted if streamed (*if applicable; otherwise delete this bullet point*)

Tips on How to Be Successful in this Class:

Students in this class should understand the level of autonomy and self-discipline required to be successful.

- Make it a daily habit to log onto OWL to ensure you have seen everything posted to help you succeed in this class.
- Make sure to attend every class and tutorial and engage in class, as it is the best way to access your knowledge and have any confusions or misunderstandings resolved.
- Start each week by reading the assigned textbook chapter(s), then read the lecture notes which summarize the main points of each chapter.
- Work out problems at the end of each chapter, and practice questions on MyLab and take notes of any problems you struggle with to discuss during office hours.
- Connect with others. Studying in groups is the best way to discover what you do not know. You classmates are more than likely to have the answers to the questions that you might have.
- Do not be afraid to ask questions. If you have questions or are struggling with a topic, and need further assistance, please feel free to email me. I should typically respond to your email within 48 hours excluding weekends and holidays.

Please Note
Department & University Policies for Summer 2022

The University expects all students to take responsibility for their own Academic Programs. Students should also check their registration to ensure they are enrolled in the correct courses.

1. **Guidelines, policies, and your academic rights and responsibilities** are posted online in the current Western Academic Calendar at: <http://westerncalendar.uwo.ca>. Claiming that “you didn’t know what to do” is not an acceptable excuse for not following the stated policies and procedures.
2. Students must familiarize themselves with the “**Rules of Conduct for Examinations**” http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/academic_policies/exam/administration.pdf.
3. **Cheating as an academic offence:** Students are responsible for understanding what it means to “cheat.” The Department of Economics treats cheating incidents very seriously and will investigate any suspect behavior. Students found guilty will incur penalties that could include a failing grade or being barred from future registration in other Economics courses or programs. The University may impose further penalties such as suspension or expulsion.
4. **Plagiarism:** Students must write their essays and assignments in their own words. When taking an idea/passage from another author, it must be acknowledged with quotation marks where appropriate and referenced with footnotes or citations. Plagiarism is an academic offence (see Scholastic Discipline for Undergraduate Students in the Western Calendar at http://westerncalendar.uwo.ca/PolicyPages.cfm?Command=showCategory&PolicyCategoryID=1&SelectedCalendar=Live&ArchiveID=#Page_20).

Western University uses software to check for plagiarism and students may be required to electronically submit their work. Those found guilty will be penalized as noted in point 3.

5. It is a Department of Economics policy that **NO** assignments be dated, stamped or accepted by staff. Students must submit assignments to the instructor.
6. **Appeals:** University policies and procedures for appealing a mark can be found in the Student Academic Appeals section in the current Western Academic Calendar at: http://westerncalendar.uwo.ca/PolicyPages.cfm?Command=showCategory&PolicyCategoryID=1&SelectedCalendar=Live&ArchiveID=#Page_14. **Please note the relevant deadlines.**

Department of Economics procedures for appealing a mark can be found here: https://economics.uwo.ca/undergraduate/program_counselling/responsibilities_policies.html#appeals. The Department will not consider an appeal unless an attempt has been made to settle the matter with the instructor first. Students who remain dissatisfied with the outcome may proceed to submit an appeal to econugrd@uwo.ca. Please follow the instructions and use the appeal form shown in the above link.

7. **Systematic adjustments of a class grade distribution** (either up or down) can occur in Economics courses. The fact that grades have been adjusted is **not** grounds for an appeal.

8. Note the following **add and drop deadlines**:

Deadline to add a first term half course:

Friday May 13, 2022

Deadline to drop a first term half course:

Monday June 13, 2022

Policy Regarding Makeup Tests and Final Examinations

Faculty of Social Science policy states that oversleeping or misreading an exam schedule is NOT grounds for a makeup. This rule applies to midterm and final exams in the Department of Economics.

Policies Regarding Academic Accommodation

- The Faculty of Social Science's policies on academic accommodation are found at https://counselling.ssc.uwo.ca/procedures/academic_consideration.html
- **Accommodation for Students with Disabilities:** Students with disabilities or accessibility challenges should work with Accessible Education (formerly SSD, see http://academicsupport.uwo.ca/accessible_education/index.html), which provides recommendations for accommodation based on medical documentation or psychological and cognitive testing. The accommodation policy can be found here: [Academic Accommodation for Students with Disabilities](#).
- **Rewriting Exams and Retroactive Reweighting are NOT Permitted:** Students who proceed to write a test or examination must be prepared to accept the mark. Rewriting tests or examinations, or retroactive reweighting of marks, is **not** permitted. Self-Reported Absences cannot be used once a student has proceeded to start to write a test or exam.
- **Self-Reported Absences:** Students will have one opportunity during summer term to receive academic consideration if they self-report a missed assessment using the online self-reported absence portal, provided the following conditions are met: the assessment is missed due to an absence of no more than 48 hours in duration, and the assessment for which consideration is being sought is worth 30% or less of the student's final grade. Students are expected to contact their instructors within 24 hours of the end of the period of the self-reported absence, unless noted otherwise on the syllabus. Students are not able to use the self-reporting option in the following circumstances:
 - for exams scheduled by the Office of the Registrar (e.g., final exams)
 - absence of a duration greater than 48 hours
 - assessments worth more than 30% of the student's final grade
 - if the student has opened or started the test or exam
 - if a student has already used the self-reporting portal twice during the fall/winter terms

If the conditions for a Self-Reported Absence are *not* met, students will need to provide a Student Medical Certificate (SMC) if the absence is medical or provide appropriate documentation if there are compassionate grounds for the absence in question. Students are encouraged to contact their Faculty academic counselling office for more information about the relevant documentation. It is strongly recommended that students notify the instructor as soon as possible, ideally before the assessment, when they become aware of an absence. University policy is that students must communicate with their instructors no later than 24 hours after the end of the period covered by the SMC or immediately upon their return from their documented absence. Failure to follow University policy and procedures may result in denial of academic accommodation and a grade of zero.

- **Self-Isolation Reporting Tool:** Students who are required to self-isolate due to COVID-19 should complete the Self-Isolation Reporting Tool (SIRT). By using this, students are attesting that they must self-isolate as a result of direction obtained from a COVID-19 Self-Assessment. The information entered on this tool will be used by Academic Counselling to assess your need for academic considerations. Students should note that this tool is intended for self-isolation due to COVID-19 only and those who complete this form will be expected to remain off-campus for at least five days. Students are expected to contact their instructors within 24 hours of the end of the period of their self-isolation period, unless noted otherwise on the syllabus.
- **Documentation for Accommodation:** Individual instructors are not permitted to receive documentation directly from a student, whether in support of an application for consideration on medical grounds or for other reasons. **All required documentation for absences that are not covered by the Self-Reported Absence Policy must be submitted to the Academic Counselling office of a student's Home Faculty.**
- **Western University policy on Consideration for Student Absence** is available here: [Policy on Academic Consideration for Student Absences - Undergraduate Students in First Entry Programs.](#)
- **Student Medical Certificate (SMC):** This form is available here: http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/academic_policies/appeals/medicalform.pdf
- **Religious Accommodation:** Students should consult the University's list of recognized religious holidays and should give reasonable notice in writing, prior to the holiday, to the Instructor and an Academic Counsellor if their course requirements will be affected by a religious observance. Additional information is given in the [Western Multicultural Calendar.](#)

Policy Regarding Class Attendance and Engagement: If the instructor deems a student's attendance or engagement in the class to be unsatisfactory, that student may be prohibited from writing the final examination. Examples of unsatisfactory class engagement include frequent absences from an in-person or synchronous online class, lack of assignment submissions, and inadequate use of online course materials. Instructors who intend to make use of this policy will notify the student in advance.

Statement on Mental Health and Support Services: Students under emotional/mental distress should visit https://uwo.ca/health/mental_wellbeing/ for more information and a complete list of resources on how to obtain help.

Statement on Remote Proctoring: While Western intends to hold most classes, mid-terms and finals in-person, the London-Middlesex Health unity may require western to teach in a remote format. If this occurs, all assessments will be done remotely and may involve the use of remote proctoring software (i.e., Proctorio, ProctorTrack). Instructors will provide information on the details should the need arise.