

# **Department of Economics Course Outline**

**Term:** Fall 2014

Course: Economics 541 Section: 01

[Monetary Theory]

**Time:** TR 14:00 – 15:15 **Place:** MS 211

(Subject to change)

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**Hours:** 

## **Textbooks:**

[1] Mishkin, F.S. and A. Serletis, *The Economics of Money, Banking, and Financial Markets:* 5<sup>th</sup> Canadian Edition, Pearson 2014.

[2] Serletis, A. *The Demand for Money: Theoretical and Empirical Approaches*, Springer, 2007.

## **Book(s) on Reserve:**

- [3] Friedman, B.M. and F.H. Hahn (Eds.). *Handbook of Monetary Economics*, Vols. 1 & 2. North-Holland (1990).
- [4] Friedman, B.M. and M. Woodford (Eds.). *Handbook of Monetary Economics*, Vols. 3A & 3B. North-Holland (2011).

### **Course Outline:**

- 1. Central Banking and the Conduct of Monetary Policy
  - [1] Chapters 15 18
- 2. The Demand for Money
  - [1] Chapter 21
  - [2] Chapters 7-9

- 3. Monetary and Fiscal Policy
  - [1] Chapters 22, 23, 24, 27
  - [2] Chapters 1, 2, 5
  - [4] Chapter 17
- 4. Money and Inflation
  - [1] Chapter 25
  - [2] Chapter 6
- 5. The Role of Expectations
  - [1] Chapters 26
  - [2] Chapter 3

## **Grade Determination and Final Examination Details:**

There will be two midterm exams and a final exam. The weights of these in the course grade are as follows:

Midterm 1 - October 14	25%
Midterm 2 – November 13	25%
Final Examination	50%

The final examination will be scheduled by the Registrar and will last two hours; it will be held during the final exam period in the classroom. A passing grade on any particular component of the course is *not* essential to pass the course as a whole. Programmable or non-programmable calculators will be allowed during the writing of tests or final examinations. Tests and exams will not involve multiple choice questions.

Tests and final exams are marked on a numerical (percentage) basis, and then converted to letter grades. The course grade is then calculated using the weights indicated. As a guide to determining standing, these letter grade equivalences will apply:

A+	96 -100	В	76 - 80	C-	59 - 62
A	89 - 95	B-	72 - 75	D+	55 - 58
A-	85 - 88	C+	68 - 71	D	50 - 54
B+	81 - 84	C	63 - 67	F	0 - 49

Part marks of 0.5 or above will be rounded up; those below 0.5 will be rounded down.

#### Notes:

- Students seeking reappraisal of a piece of graded term work (term paper, essay, etc.) should discuss their work with the Instructor *within 15 days* of the work being returned to the class.
- Make-up examinations and deferred examinations will not be given *except in cases of extreme personal emergencies*. Also, examinations will not be given *before* the indicated dates.
- It is the student's responsibility to request academic accommodations. If you are a student with a documented disability who may require academic accommodation and have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre, please contact their office at 220-8237. Students who have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre are not eligible for formal academic accommodation. You are also required to discuss your needs with your instructor no later than fourteen (14) days after the start of this course.

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Faculty of Arts website at <a href="mailto:http://arts.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate">http://arts.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate</a> which has detailed
information on common academic concerns.

- For program planning and advice, contact the Student Success Centre (formerly the Undergraduate programs Office) at (403) 220-5881 or visit them in their new space on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor of the Taylor Family Digital Library.
- For registration (add/drop/swap), paying fees and assistance with your Student Centre, contact Enrolment Services at (403) 210-ROCK [7625] or visit them at the MacKimmie Library Block.

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