

Department of Economics
Faculty of Liberal and Professional Studies
York University
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AP/ECON 2400 – Section O
Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory I

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Lecture Hours and Location	Thursday 11:30 am – 2:30 pm; ACW 005
Office Hours in DB 2044	Tuesday 11:30 am – 12:30 pm
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Course Webpage	https://eclass.yorku.ca/eclass/my/

PREFERRED METHOD TO CONTACT PROFESSOR

The students are expected to contact Professor directly during the office hours in DB 2044 and the lecture hours in ACW 005 if they have any questions or concerns about this course.

ORGANIZATION OF THE COURSE

Please note that this course depends on in-person teaching and learning. There will be in-person weekly lectures on Thursday from 11:30 am to 2:30 pm in ACW 005.

Some of the required assessments of this course, including the submission of quizzes and Active Learning Activities (ALA) will be administered through the eClass course website. However, the midterm exam and the final exam will be held in person.

I will not record my lectures in this term. However, to support your learning in this course, I will post the recordings of my lectures from a previous term, when I taught this course as a remote teaching and learning course, on the eClass course webpage.

Please note that 1) the recordings should be used for educational purposes only and as a means for enhancing accessibility; 2) students do not have permission to duplicate, copy and/or distribute the recordings outside of the class (these acts can violate not only copyright laws but also [FIPPA](#)); and 3) all recordings will be destroyed after the end of classes.

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS FOR TAKING THE COURSE

Several platforms will be used in this course (e.g., eClass, Zoom, MyLab, etc.) through which students will interact with the course materials, the course director/TA, as well as with one another. Please review the syllabus to determine how the class meets (in whole or in part), and how office hours and presentations will be conducted.

Students shall note the following:

- Zoom is hosted on servers in the U.S. This includes recordings done through Zoom.
- If you have privacy concerns about your data, provide only your first name or a nickname when you join a session.
- The system is configured in a way that all participants are automatically notified when a session is being recorded. In other words, a session cannot be recorded without you knowing about it.

Technology requirements and FAQs for Moodle can be found here - <http://www.yorku.ca/moodle/students/faq/index.html>

In addition to stable, higher-speed Internet connection, these students will need a computer/laptop with webcam and microphone, and/or a smart device with these features.

Here are some useful links for student computing information, resources and help:

[Student Guide to eClass](#)

[Zoom@YorkU Best Practices](#)

[Zoom@YorkU User Reference Guide](#)

[Computing for Students Website](#)

[Student Guide to eLearning at York University](#)

To determine Internet connection and speed, there are online tests, such as [Speedtest](#), that can be run.

COURSE WEBPAGE

<https://eclass.yorku.ca/eclass/my/>

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

Equips students with the basic tools for analyzing short-run and long-run macroeconomic phenomena in a closed economy. Topics include aggregate demand and supply, consumption and investment behaviour, demand for money, government stabilization policy, and fiscal issues.

PREREQUISITES:

AP/ECON 1000 3.00 and AP/ECON 1010 3.00, and AP/ECON 1530 3.00, or equivalents.

PREREQUISITE or COREQUISITE:

AP/ECON 1540 3.00

COURSE CREDIT EXCLUSIONS

GL/ECON 3240 6.00 (prior to Fall 2014), SB/ECON 2000 3.00. Note: Acceptable course substitutes are available in the Calendar.

REQUIRED TEXTBOOK

Option 1

Macroeconomics, 9th Canadian Edition, Andrew Abel, Ben Bernanke, Dean Croushore and Ronald Kneebone, Pearson Education (MyLab with Pearson eText OR eText only). (ABCK)

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE TEXTBOOK OPTION 1 (ETEXT PLUS MYLAB OR ETEXT) IS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE FROM THE YORK UNIVERSITY BOOKSTORE WEBSITE: <https://bookstore.yorku.ca/>

The Bookstore price for the eText only option: \$68 plus tax

The Bookstore price for the eText plus MyLab option: \$100 plus tax

Option 2:

Used 9th or 8th Canadian edition of the textbook plus an access to the MyLab course website. Note that you can purchase a standalone access to the MyLab course website at the time of registering into the MyLab course.

Please note that MyLab is optional for this course.

TEXTBOOK WEBSITES

<http://www.pearsoncanada.ca>
www.pearsonmylabandmastering.com

EVALUATION

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| 1. Best Five out of Six Active Learning Activities (ALA) | 5% |
| 2. Best Five out of Six Timed Quizzes | 5% |
| 3. Optional MyLab practice questions/ study plan questions | 0% |

The MyLab practice questions/ study plan questions are available on the MyLab course website. MyLab registration instructions and the MyLab course ID (TBA) will be posted on the eClass course webpage.

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| 4. In-Person Midterm | 30% |
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*The in-person midterm will be held on **February 13** in **ACW 005** during the regular lecture hours.*

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| 5. In-person Final Exam | 60% |
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*The final exam will be held in person during the final exam period.
Note that the final exam will cover all course materials.*

POLICIES RELATED TO MISSING MIDTERM

- If a student misses the midterm examination due to an acceptable medical reason, technical difficulties during the exam, or for some unavoidable circumstances, the weight of his or her term test will be added to the final exam. **There will be no make-up midterm examination.**
- If you fail to write the midterm examination on the scheduled date, you must contact me during my virtual office hours or virtual lecture hours to explain why you have missed the midterm exam and provide the supporting documents **no later than 2 weeks after the missed midterm**. Please note that the instructor will NOT accept a photocopy or scanned copy of your supporting documents by e-mail. You should submit the supporting documents in eClass. You will be given instructions on how to submit these documents in eClass.
- If a student fails to write the midterm exam without any valid reason, he or she will get zero in the midterm exam and the weight of the missed midterm exam will NOT be transferred to the final exam.

DEFERRED FINAL EXAM POLICY

Students must fill out an online MachForm and submit it along with all **original** supporting documentations **within 7 business days of the original exam date**. **Here is the website link to the MachForm to request deferred standing for an ECON final exam.**

<https://www.yorku.ca/laps/econ/undergraduate-programs/academic-resources/department-policies/deferred-standing/>

Submitting the MatchForm does NOT guarantee permission to write the deferred exam. Only submissions that meet all requirements will be granted permission. If you are granted deferred standing, you will receive an e-mail from Economics Department with specific exam information. Students whose submissions are not granted will receive a zero for their final exam score.

CLASS ATTENDANCE/PARTICIPATION

The students are expected to attend and actively participate in all lectures. They should feel free to ask questions to the instructor during lectures if they do not understand a concept/model.

ACTIVE LEARNING ACTIVITIES (ALA) via eClass

A set of problem solving and short answer questions, which will be referred to as ALA, will be posted in eClass as active learning activities (ALA) in this course. The students are expected to work on the problem sets and **submit the completed works as a single PDF file** in eClass by the due dates. There will be **5 active learning activities (ALA)** in this course. Each ALA is worth **1 mark**. If a student completes the works of an ALA and submit it in eClass by the due date, he or she will get 1 mark. On the other hand, if a student does not submit an ALA, he or she will get zero. The instructor will only count the marks of the **best 5 ALAs out of 6 ALAs. Please note that an ALA will be graded solely based on the completeness of the answers, not based on the correctness of the answers.**

SYLLABUS AND SCHEDULE OF ACTIVE LEARNING ACTIVITIES (ALA)

ALAs	Tentative Syllabus	Posting Dates	Due Dates
ALA 1	Chapter 2	Jan 17	Jan 24
ALA 2	Chapter 3	Jan 24	Jan 31
ALA 3	Chapter 4	Jan 31	Feb 7
ALA 4	Chapter 6	March 7	March 14
ALA 5	Chapter 7 & 8	March 21	March 28
ALA 6	Chapter 9	March 28	April 4

eClass TIMED QUIZZES

- The six quizzes (Quiz 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6) are worth 5% of the course grade. Only the best five out of the six quizzes will be counted. Each quiz is worth 1% of the course grade. Please note that there are no make-up quizzes. If you miss a quiz, the other six quizzes will be counted. For every quiz you miss after one missed quiz, you receive zero for 1% of your course grade.
- Each quiz has 15 multiple-choice questions which will appear sequentially. It means that once you select an answer to a quiz question and move to the next question, you will not be allowed to go back and change your choice for any of the previous questions that you have already answered. You will get only **1** attempt and **30** minutes to finish each quiz So, please make sure that you are well prepared and have uninterrupted 30 minutes before you start working on a quiz.
- **To do well in the eClass timed quizzes, you should study the assigned chapters in the textbook and the lecture slides, and view the recorded virtual lectures. You should also work out the MyLab practice questions/study plan questions.**

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ACADEMIC HONESTY AND INTEGRITY

In this course, we strive to maintain academic integrity to the highest extent possible. Please familiarize yourself with the meaning of academic integrity by completing SPARK's Academic Integrity module at the beginning of the course. Breaches of academic integrity range from cheating to plagiarism (i.e., the improper crediting of another's work, the representation of another's ideas as your own, etc.). All instances of academic dishonesty in this course will be reported to the appropriate university authorities, and can be punishable according to the Senate Policy on Academic Honesty.

READINGS/LECTURE PLAN

(Reference codes refer to the textbook mentioned above)

DATE	TOPICS	READINGS/ COMMENTS
January 9	Course Outline; The Measurement and Structure of the Canadian Economy	ABCK: Ch 2
January 16	Productivity, Output, and Employment	ABCK: Ch 3
January 23	Consumption, Saving, and Investment	ABCK: Ch 4
January 30	Consumption, Saving, and Investment	ABCK: Ch 4
February 6	Long-run Economic Growth	ABCK: Ch 6
February 13	Tentative Midterm Exam Materials: Ch 2, 3, and 4.	Midterm Exam will be held in the classroom during regular lecture hours.
Feb 15 – 21	Winter Reading Week	No Lecture
February 27	Long-run Economic Growth	ABCK: Ch 6
March 6	The Asset Market, Money, and Prices	ABCK: Ch 7
March 13	The Asset Market, Money, and Prices	ABCK: Ch 7
March 20	Business Cycles	ABCK: Ch 8
March 27	The IS-LM-FE Model: A General Framework for Macroeconomic Analysis	ABCK: Ch 9
April 3	The IS-LM-FE Model: A General Framework for Macroeconomic Analysis	ABCK: Ch 9

Note: Additional readings, if necessary, will be assigned during the term.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS

All students are expected to familiarize themselves with the following information, available on the Senate Committee on Curriculum & Academic Standards webpage;

<http://www.yorku.ca/secretariat/policies/index-policies.html/>

- York's Academic Honesty Policy and Procedures/Academic Integrity Website

Academic Honesty and Integrity: Conduct that violates the ethical or legal standards of the University community or of one's program or specialization is subject to severe penalties. Students are responsible for understanding the nature and consequences of these offences, as contained in the Senate Policy on Academic Honesty, found on the York University Senate WEB page:

<http://www.yorku.ca/secretariat/policies/document.php?document=69>

- Ethics Review Process for research involving human participants
<http://www.yorku.ca/secretariat/policies/document.php?document=94>
- Course requirement accommodation for students with disabilities, including physical, medical, systemic, learning and psychiatric disabilities
<http://www.yorku.ca/secretariat/policies/document.php?document=68>
- Student Conduct Standards
<http://www.yorku.ca/oscr/standards.html>
- Religious Observance Accommodation
<https://w2prod.sis.yorku.ca/Apps/WebObjects/cdm.woa/wa/regobs>

Grading Scheme and Feedback (Senate)Policy:

<http://www.yorku.ca/secretariat/policies/document.php?document=86>

Religious Observances Dates 2024-25:

<http://www.registrar.yorku.ca/enrol/dates/religious.htm>

Winter 2025 Important Dates:

<https://registrar.yorku.ca/enrol/dates/2024-2025/fall-winter>

	Winter Term 2025
Last date to add a course without permission of instructor (also see Financial Deadlines)	Jan 20
Last date to add a course with permission of instructor (also see Financial Deadlines)	Jan 31
Last date to drop a course without receiving a grade (also see Financial Deadlines)	March 14
Course Withdrawal Period (withdraw from a course and receive a grade of "W" on transcript – see note below)	March 15 – April 4

Important Academic Forms

- Religious Accommodation - http://registrar.yorku.ca/sites/registrar/files/pdf/exam_accommodation.pdf
- Deferred Standing - http://registrar.yorku.ca/pdf/deferred_standing_agreement.pdf
- Attending Physician's Statement Form - <http://registrar.yorku.ca/pdf/attending-physicians-statement.pdf>