



School	Business
Department	Economics, Business & Finance
Module title	Macroeconomics Theory
Module Code	2104207
Credit hours:	3 Credit Hours
Module Leader	Hussam Daoud

The course aims equip the student with the principles he or she needs to make sense out of the conflicting and contradictory discussions of economic conditions and policies in newspapers and news magazines. To make the student able to evaluate the performance of decision makers, and to predict the impact of their policy actions on families and business.

On completion of this module students should:

- Theory of Macroeconomics I is an intermediate course in macroeconomics. Some of the issues covered include the determinants of output, interest rates, money, the government budget, aggregate demand, aggregate supply and stabilization policy, inflation and unemployment, the role of monetary and fiscal policy, sources of instability in the economy, and economic growth.

Module outline

- Week 1: Introduction and Measurement Chapter 1
- Week 2: The Measurement of Income, Prices, and Unemployment, Chapter 2
- Week 3+4: Spending, Income, and Interest Rates., Chapter 3
- Week 5 Monetary and Fiscal Policy in the IS-LM Model Chapter 4
- Week 6+7: National Saving, the Government Budget, Foreign Borrowing, and the Twin Deficits. Chapter 5
- Week 7+8: Aggregate Demand, Aggregate Supply, and the Self-Correcting Economy, Chapter 7
- Week 9+10: The Goals of stabilization policy, Chapter 9
- Week 11+12: The Theory of Economic Growth., Chapter 10
- Week 13+14: : The Big Questions of Economic Growth, Chapter 11
- Week 15: Revision
- Week 16: Final Exam

Course Materials

- Gordon Robert J., Macroeconomics, 10th edition, Pearson Addison Wesley, USA, 2006.
- Lecture slides.

Module Organization

- **Teaching:** 3-hour lectures per week
- **Student workload:** Approximately 6 hours study per week
- **Feedbacks** will take the shape of one-to-one.

Assessment method:

- Mid Term Exam 30% (1 hour): week 7.
- Weekly exercises/assignments 20% (1 hour): week 11.
- Final Exam 50% (2 hours): week 16.

Course policies

To be explained to the students at the first meeting:

- ✓ **Class attendance:** Students are expected to attend all lectures of this course due to the nature of the course that adopts a cumulative learning process. A prior approval is required for class absence, except for emergencies.

*Students **absent** from class are responsible for obtaining notes of lectures and project assignments from fellow students and are responsible for turning such assignments when due. Absence is not an excuse for meeting an assignments due date.*

- ✓ **Tardy:** Arriving late are not expected in both on-campus and online lectures (if any), as it would affect the understanding of the student to the new topic, and therefore his performance in the daily exercise.
- ✓ **Class behavior:** A student is expected to pay full attention to the tutor, to respect his colleagues, and to keep the lectures and his table clean and tidy. Additionally, full attention shall be kept during the classes as the peer-to-peer learning is one of the major learning tools in the lecture.
- ✓ **Food and drinks:** Snacks and drinks with lids are allowed in the lectures.
- ✓ **Submissions and exams:** The weekly exercises are expected to be submitted on time. Late submissions are only accepted within a week of the original deadline and with 20% cut of the main grade. Failure to attend any exam or quiz will result to have a mark of zero.
- ✓ **Cheating:** Cheating in all its forms are not accepted and would result in an automatic zero for the submission/exam and would be reported to the dean to investigate the case and decide upon a suitable punishment according to the university regulations.