Course Syllabus
Macroeconomic Theory: ECON202
Fall 2015

Time and Place:
Tuesday and Thursday
9:00am -10:15am (Sec 2)
1:30pm - 2:45pm (Sec 1)
Campion 200

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Course Overview:
This course provides an introduction to the modern theory and practice of macroeconomics. It covers a variety of the central questions in macroeconomics including: What are the determinants of long-run economic growth? Why do economies regularly experience booms and recessions? Why is there unemployment? What determines the value of money in an economy? The course focuses particular attention on how macroeconomic policy (monetary and fiscal) affects outcomes in these dimensions, and on using the tools of the field to evaluate alternative policy responses to current events.

Prerequisites:
Principles of Microeconomics (EC131)
Principles of Macroeconomics (EC132)
One semester of calculus (MT100 or MT102)

Required Text:

Grading:

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Problem Sets:
There will be 6 problem sets, to be turned in at the beginning of class on the day they are due. You may work in groups, but each student must turn in her or his own *handwritten* work. Your lowest problem set score will be dropped, so that your grade is based on your best 5 problem set scores. I do not accept late work.

Academic Integrity:
Cheating on any coursework will result in (1) an automatic failure in the course and (2) reporting the incident to the College of Arts and Sciences as required by the University. See [www.bc.edu/publications/ucatalog/policy.shtml#integrity](http://www.bc.edu/publications/ucatalog/policy.shtml#integrity) for a full discussion of the university’s policies and procedures regarding academic integrity.

Accommodations:
If you are a student with a documented disability seeking reasonable accommodations in this course, please contact Kathy Duggan, (617) 552-8093, dugganka@bc.edu, at the Connors Family Learning Center regarding learning disabilities and ADHD, or Paulette Durrett, (617) 552-3470, paulette.durrett@bc.edu, in the Disability Services Office regarding all other types of disabilities, including temporary disabilities. Advance notice and appropriate documentation are required for accommodations.