ECON 113202, Principles of Economics II/Macroeconomics (3 credits)
Boston College Summer Session 2017,
Summer 2, June 26 – August 4
Course meeting day and time: Tuesday and Thursday, 6:00-9:15pm
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Course Description
This course is an analysis of national income and employment, economic fluctuations, monetary and fiscal policy, inflation, growth, and international aspects of macroeconomic policy.

Textbooks & Readings (Required)
*Macroeconomics* by Acemoglu, Laibson, List (with MyEconLab Access Card).
ISBN: 0133578003 – 9780133578003
MyEconLab course id: kanik65455

You don’t have to purchase a hardcopy of the textbook. But you’ll **have to** register for MyEconLab through which the homeworks will be assigned. See the last page of the syllabus on how to register for MyEconLab. Once you register to the website, you can choose purchasing MyEconLab alone or with the e-book. I recommend getting the e-book.
Textbooks & Readings (Recommended)
Additional readings will be provided throughout the course.

Canvas
Canvas is the Learning Management System (LMS) at Boston College, designed to help faculty and students share ideas, collaborate on assignments, discuss course readings and materials, submit assignments, and much more - all online. As a Boston College student, you should familiarize yourself with this important tool. For more information and training resources for using Canvas, click here.

Course Objectives
1. Learning fundamental principles, generalizations, and theories in macroeconomics.
2. Learning to apply course material to real life macroeconomic problems.
3. At the end of the course, the students will demonstrate knowledge of macroeconomic concepts across cultural settings and will know how they are closely related to the economic environment we live in.
4. The students will demonstrate ethical attitude pertaining to the macroeconomic discussions such as economic inequality within societies and why some societies are richer than others.

This is a self-contained class and you won’t be expected to have previous knowledge of economics. Please feel free to contact me with any questions you might have.

Grading
Your letter grade will be based on 5 weekly problem sets (6% each = 30% in total), one short video project (10%), one midterm (25%), and a final exam (35%). The problem sets will be assigned and completed through MyEconLab. More information regarding the video project will be provided.

Exam schedule:
All exams will take place in class during the class time. Please mark your calendars for the following dates:
- Midterm on Thursday, July 13, at 6pm.
- Final exam on Thursday, August 3 at 6pm.

The undergraduate grading system for Summer Session is as follows:

A (4.00), A- (3.67)
B+ (3.33), B (3.00), B- (2.67)
C+ (2.33), C (2.00), C- (1.67)
D+ (1.33), D (1.00), D- (.67)
F (.00)

All students can access final grades through Agora after the grading deadline each semester. Transcripts are available through the Office of Student Services.

Deadlines and Late Work
Late submissions are not allowed and no make-up exams will be given. If you have a documented excuse for missing an exam, the weight of the missed exam will be distributed on other tasks.

Course Assignments
You will be expected to work around 12 hours per week for this course outside of class. Your work will include reading the assigned articles, reviewing your lecture notes, completing the weekly problem sets, and preparing for
the midterm and the final.

### Course Schedule

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### Written Work

Summer Session students are expected to prepare professional, polished written work. Written materials must be typed and submitted in the format required by your instructor. Strive for a thorough yet concise style. Cite literature appropriately, using APA, MLA or CLA style per your instructor’s requirements. Develop your thoughts fully, clearly, logically and specifically. Proofread all materials to ensure the use of proper grammar, punctuation and spelling. For writing support, please contact the [Connors Family Learning Center](#).

### Attendance

Attending class is an important component of learning. Students are expected to attend all class sessions. When circumstances prevent a student from attending class, the student is responsible for contacting the instructor before the class meets. Students who miss class are still expected to complete all assignments and meet all deadlines. Many instructors grade for participation; if you miss class, you cannot make up participation points associated with that class. Makeup work may be assigned at the discretion of the instructor. If circumstances necessitate excessive absence from class, the student should consider withdrawing from the class.

Consistent with BC’s commitment to creating a learning environment that is respectful of persons of differing backgrounds, we believe that every reasonable effort should be made to allow members of the university community to observe their religious holidays without jeopardizing their academic status. Students are responsible for reviewing course syllabi as soon as possible, and for communicating with the instructor promptly regarding any possible conflicts with observed religious holidays. Students are responsible for completing all class requirements for days missed due to conflicts with religious holidays.

### Accommodation and Accessibility

Boston College is committed to providing accommodations to students, faculty, staff and visitors with disabilities. Specific documentation from the appropriate office is required for students seeking accommodation in Summer Session courses. Advanced notice and formal registration with the appropriate office is required to facilitate this process. There are two separate offices at BC that coordinate services for students with disabilities:
The Connors Family Learning Center (CFLC) coordinates services for students with LD and ADHD.

The Disabilities Services Office (DSO) coordinates services for all other disabilities.

Find out more about BC’s commitment to accessibility at www.bc.edu/sites/accessibility.

**Scholarship and Academic Integrity**

Students in Summer Session courses must produce original work and cite references appropriately. Failure to cite references is plagiarism. Academic dishonesty includes, but is not necessarily limited to, plagiarism, fabrication, facilitating academic dishonesty, cheating on exams or assignments, or submitting the same material or substantially similar material to meet the requirements of more than one course without seeking permission of all instructors concerned. Scholastic misconduct may also involve, but is not necessarily limited to, acts that violate the rights of other students, such as depriving another student of course materials or interfering with another student’s work. Please see the Boston College policy on academic integrity for more information.
To register for sample Acemoglu Macroeconomics, 4-20-17:

2. Under Register, select Student.
3. Confirm you have the information needed, then select OK! Register now.
4. Enter your instructor's course ID: kanik65455, and Continue.
5. Enter your existing Pearson account username and password to Sign In.
   You have an account if you have ever used a Pearson MyLab & Mastering product, such as MyMathLab, MyITLab, MySpanishLab, MasteringBiology or MasteringPhysics.
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