

INTERMEDIATE MACROECONOMICS
ECONOMICS 4020
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This course is devoted to the study of macroeconomics, that is, the economy as a whole. The course will analyze business cycles, inflation and deflation, monetary and fiscal policy, and growth and productivity. The course will examine first the determinants of output and employment, the components of aggregate demand, and the policies used to affect it. The equilibrium between the real and monetary sides of the economy will be emphasized. Wage and price dynamics will be introduced afterwards. The concept of the natural rate and the Phillips Curve will be explored. The debates between monetarists and Keynesian authors as well as the more recent debate between New Classical and New Keynesian schools will be an integral part of the course. The last part will be concerned with long-term growth. The basic reading will be Richard Froyen's, "Macroeconomics: Theories and Policies." Other material will be indicated in class. The course requires previous knowledge of macroeconomics (2020; other pre-requisites are 1010, and 2010). There will be a mid-term worth 25 per cent of the final grade, and a final worth 50 per cent. The other 25 per cent will be made up by home assignments. Office hours will be announced in class. If you need to schedule an appointment or discuss some special need e-mail me at vernengo@economics.utah.edu.

1. Issues and Ideas	Froyen ch.1 and 2
2. Keynes and the Classics	Froyen ch.3 and 4
3. The ISLM Model	Froyen chs.6 to 9
4. The Phillips Curve	Froyen chs.10 and 11
5. Rational Expectations	Froyen ch.12
6. Real Business Cycles	Froyen ch.13.1
7. New Keynesian Economics	Froyen ch.13.2
8. Exchange Rates and Balance of Payments	Froyen chs.15 and 16
9. Macroeconomic Policy	Froyen chs.18 and 19
10. The Long Run	Froyen chs.5 and 20