

**ECON 3080-007**  
**Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory**  
**Fall 2006**

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| <u>Class Schedule</u> | TR 2:00-3:15 PM   |
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**Course Overview**

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This course will provide a comprehensive framework for analyzing the behavior of aggregate economies. Topics will include the determinants of output, unemployment, and inflation, an analysis of short-run fluctuations in economic activity, and theories of long-run economic growth.

Throughout our discussion, we will consider the following questions: Why are some countries rich while others remain poor? What causes economic expansion and contraction? What policies, if any, should the government use in combating inflation and unemployment and stimulating growth?

**Required Text**

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Gregory Mankiw, *Macroeconomics*, 6<sup>th</sup> Edition, the 5<sup>th</sup> edition is perfectly fine as well Worth Publishers.

**Grading**

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Your course grade will consist of two midterm examinations, a final, and four problem sets assigned throughout the semester.

Your grade will be determined as follows:

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| Midterm 1      | 20% |
| Midterm 2      | 20% |
| Final          | 40% |
| 2 Problem Sets | 20% |

**Exams and Problem Sets**

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Each exam will be composed of several multiple choice questions and some analytical problems. The final exam will be held in the regular classroom on **Wednesday**

