# Syllabus for UWXEC203 Macroeconomics

**NOTE:** This syllabus document contains the basic information of this course. The most current syllabus is available in the full course.

## **Course Description**

The emphasis of the course is on macroeconomics analysis and covers areas such as national income, commercial banking, business fluctuations, monetary and fiscal policies and International Trade.

## Prerequisite(s)

None

#### **Course Outcomes**

Upon completing this course, you will be able to do the following:

- Explain how markets work both at the micro and macroeconomics levels.
- Apply Demand and Supply analysis to contemporary social and economic issues.
- Explain macroeconomic concepts and theories using tables, equations and graphs.
- Compute inflation and the unemployment rates using data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics.
- Discuss the differences between Keynesian, Classical and monetarist economic philosophies
- Describe how policy makers use fiscal and monetary policies to reduce instability in the economy.
- Derive National Income Accounting Aggregates from using Bureau of Economic Affairs national income and expenditure data.
- Analyze how the value of foreign exchange is determined by markets and the government.

# **Course Requirements/Components**

Your final grade will be based on your performance on the following:

#### Quizzes (15%)

There are 15 weekly quizzes based on material covered in each week's lesson. Each quiz consists of 20 multiple choice questions accessed through Canvas using your MacMillan Achieve Access Code. You are required to watch the accompanying Achieve Lesson based videos before you take the quiz (see section on Achieve Video Lesson Assignment). Each quiz is worth 20 points, and cumulatively accounts for 15 percent of your final grade.

#### **Exams (35%)**

There are two mid-term exams worth 200 points each and a cumulative final exam worth 250 points. Exams both mid-term and final consists entirely of multiple choice questions accessed through Canvas using your MacMillan Achieve Access Code. Each exam is based on roughly five chapters of material. Cumulatively, the three exams account for 35 percent of your final grade.

#### Written Assignments (25%)

There are 15 written weekly lesson assignments in this course. Each written assignment consists of a variety of questions including short/long essays, and graphical tabular and mathematical equation based questions. Written assignments are worth 100 points each and cumulatively account for 25 percent of your final grade.

#### **Achieve Video Lesson Assignments (5%)**

There are 14 carefully selected lesson Achieve videos that you are required to watch before completing the Lesson Quizzes in Achieve. These video assignments are 5 points each and cumulatively account for 5 percent of your final grade.

#### Discussions (20%)

There are 15 weekly discussion assignments in this course. Each discussion question requires you to respond to an initial post (worth 30 points) and two reply posts (worth 10 points each) from course colleagues. Grading of this assignment is based on a set of discussion rubrics. Discussions cumulatively account for 20 percent of your final grade.

# **Grading**

The following grading scale will be used to evaluate all course requirements and to determine your final grade: (examples below)

Grade	Percentage
	Range
Α	93% - 100%
A-	90% - 92%
B+	87% - 89%
В	83% - 86%
B-	80% - 82%
C+	77% - 79%
С	73% - 76%
C-	70% - 72%
D+	67% - 69%
D	60% - 66%
F	0 - 59%

Assignment	Points
Quizzes: 15 @ 20 points	300
Exams: 3 (2 @200, 1 @ 150 points)	650
Written Assignments: 15 @ 100 points	1,500
Video Assignments: 14 @ 5 points	
Discussions: 15 @ 50 points	750
Total Points	3,270