ECON 3123: INTERMEDIATE MACROECONOMICS
Syllabus for Fall 2017
3:30 p.m. – 4:45 p.m. MW
Friday 132

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If the hours established are not convenient, feel free to make an appointment with me for another time or to stop by at another time when I am in the office.

Textbooks and Other Resources
The textbook for this course is Olivier Blanchard, Macroeconomics, 7th edition (Boston, MA, Pearson Education, 2017). We will be using MyEconLab in the course, so you will need the supplemental package, Pearson eText/Access Card. I will give you the sign-up instructions that you will need in a separate document.

Means of Student Evaluation
Course grades will be determined by your performance on ten MyEconLab assignments (1% each), three tests (20% each), and a comprehensive final exam (30%). Letter grades for the course will be based on the following scale: A, 90%-100%; B, 80%-89.99%; C, 70%-79.99%; D, 60%-69.99%; F, below 60%.

NOTE WELL: Grades will be based solely on your performance on the ten MyEconLab assignments, the three tests, and the comprehensive final exam. Individual extra credit assignments will NOT be made.

Tests
The first test will be given on September 20; the second, on October 18; and the third, on November 20. The comprehensive final exam will be given at 2:00 p.m. on December 13 (the final exam slot assigned for this course).

Academic Integrity
All students are required to read and abide by the Code of Student Academic Integrity. Violations of the Code of Student Academic Integrity, including plagiarism, will result in disciplinary action as provided in the Code. Definitions and examples of plagiarism are set forth in the Code. The Code is available from the Dean of Students Office or online at http://legal.uncc.edu/policies/up-407. Please be aware that faculty may ask students to produce identification at examinations and that faculty may require students to demonstrate that assignments completed outside of class are their own work.

Disability Accommodations
UNC Charlotte is committed to access to education. If you have a disability and need academic accommodations, please provide a letter of accommodation from the Office of Disability Services early in the semester. For more information about accommodations, you may contact the Office of Disability Services at 704-687-0040 or visit the Office of Disability Services itself in Fretwell 230.
Other
The standards and requirements set forth in this syllabus may be modified at any time by the course instructor. Notice of such changes will be by announcement in class and by email.

The last day to withdraw from courses with grades of W is October 24. Students are expected to complete all courses for which they are registered at the close of the add/drop period. If you are worried about your ability to succeed in this course, then you should talk with me as soon as possible. University policy allows students only a limited number of opportunities to withdraw from courses. It is important for you to understand the financial and academic consequences of course withdrawals. For more information, see the UNC Charlotte policy on withdrawals at http://provost.uncc.edu/policies/withdrawal.

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Outline of Topics and Reading Assignments

I. The Data of Macroeconomics
   Blanchard (2017), Chapter 2

II. The Economy in the Short Run
   A. The Goods Market
      Blanchard (2017), Chapter 3
   B. Financial Markets I
      Blanchard (2017), Chapter 4
   C. Goods and Financial Markets: The IS-LM Model
      Blanchard (2017), Chapter 5
   D. Financial Markets II: The Extended IS-LM Model
      Blanchard (2017), Chapter 6

III. The Economy in the Medium Run
    A. The Labor Market
       Blanchard (2017), Chapter 7
    B. The Phillips Curve, the Natural Rate of Unemployment, and Inflation
       Blanchard (2017), Chapter 8
    C. From the Short Run to the Medium Run: The IS-LM-PC Model
       Blanchard (2017), Chapter 9

IV. The Economy in the Long Run
    A. The Facts of Growth
       Blanchard (2017), Chapter 10
    B. Saving, Capital Accumulation, and Output
       Blanchard (2017), Chapter 11
    C. Technological Progress and Growth
       Blanchard (2017), Chapter 12
    D. Technological Progress: The Short Run, the Medium Run, and the Long Run
       Blanchard (2017), Chapter 13

V. The Open Economy
   A. Openness in Goods and Financial Markets
      Blanchard (2017), Chapter 17
B. The Goods Market in an Open Economy
   Blanchard (2017), Chapter 18
C. Output, the Interest Rate, and the Exchange Rate
   Blanchard (2017), Chapter 19

VI. The Macroeconomic Policy Debate
    Blanchard (2017), Chapter 21