

# **Course Specifications**

Course Title:	Principles of Macroeconomics
Course Code:	ECON 1221
Program:	(English)
Department:	Finance and Banking
College:	College of Business Administration
Institution:	Dar Al Uloom University







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# A. Course Identification

1. Credit hours:				
2. Course type				
a.UniversityCollegeXDepartmentOthers				
b. Required X Elective				
3. Level/year at which this course is offered:				
2 <sup>nd</sup> year/Second semester				
4. Pre-requisites for this course (if any): ECON 1211				
5. Co-requisites for this course (if any):				

### 6. Mode of Instruction (mark all that apply)

No	Mode of Instruction	<b>Contact Hours</b>	Percentage
1	Traditional classroom	45	100%
2	Blended		
3	E-learning		
4	Distance learning		
5	Other		

### 7. Contact Hours (based on academic semester)

No	Activity	Contact Hours
1	Lecture	45
2	Laboratory/Studio	
3	Tutorial	
4	Others (specify)	
	Total	45

### **B.** Course Objectives and Learning Outcomes

### **1.** Course Description

This course focuses mainly on economic analysis of aggregate employment, income and prices. It introduces student to the basic principles of macroeconomics with emphasis on developing analytical skills through the topics covered. These topics include: introduction to basic macroeconomic relationships; determining aggregate supply and aggregate demand; measuring economic output and growth, concept of fiscal and monetary policies, deficits and their financing through debt, and extends to include international economic concepts such as international trade, Balance of Payments, Exchange Rates, and Trade Deficits. Brief overview of Economics of Developing Countries and debates between Macro Theory and Policy.

### 2. Course Main Objective

- Introduce students to an understanding of the domain of economics as a social science
- Introduce students to the main analytical tools used in economic analysis



- Introduce students to the main conclusions derived from economic analysis and to develop their understanding of their organizational and policy implications
- Enable students to participate in debates on economic matters.
- Enable students to make effective business decisions and better understand the economic environment.

### 3. Course Learning Outcomes

	Aligned PLOs	
1	Knowledge and Understanding	
1.1	Possess a comprehensive knowledge about the models and methods used in economic analysis including national income accounting and several macroeconomics aggregates.	K.1
1.2	Demonstrate advanced knowledge and understanding related to the interrelationships among prices, income and interest rate as they affect consumption, saving and investment.	K.2
1.3	Exhibit ongoing knowledge and understanding of the contemporary banking and monetary system, and the role of money, credit, and monetary policy.	K.3
2	Skills :	
2.1	Possess knowledge and understanding of the factors that affect aggregate demand and aggregate supply both short and long run.	S.1
2.2	Demonstrate written and oral communication skills to work in groups and actively participate in the course forum discussions	S.4
3	Values:	
3.1	Perseverance and persistence in achievement and excellence, through continuous personal and professional development in Macroeconomics	V.1
3.2	Self-evaluation of the level of learning and performance through continuous personal and professional development.	V.2
3.3	Leading and participation in group work by actively participating in the course forum discussions.	V.3

# **C. Course Content**

No	List of Topics	Contact Hours	
1	An Introduction to Economics	3	
2	Measuring Domestic Output and National Income	3	
3	Economic Growth	3	
4	Business Cycles, Unemployment, and Inflation	6	
5	Basic Macroeconomic Relationships	3	
6	The Aggregate Expenditures Model	6	
7	Aggregate Demand and Aggregate Supply	6	
8	Fiscal Policy, Deficits, and Debt	3	
9	Money, Banking and Financial Institutions	3	
10	Money Creation	3	
11	Interest Rates and Monetary Policy	3	
12	Extending the Analysis of Aggregate Supply	3	
	Total 45		

# **D.** Teaching and Assessment

### 1. Alignment of Course Learning Outcomes with Teaching Strategies and Assessment Methods

Code	S Course Learning Outcomes	Teaching Strategies	Assessment Methods
1.0	Knowledge and Understanding	Touching Strategies	
1.1	Possess a comprehensive knowledge about the models and methods used in economic analysis including national income accounting and several macroeconomics aggregates.	Direct Instruction	Exams Quizzes Assignment
1.2	Demonstrate advanced knowledge and understanding related to the interrelationships among prices, income and interest rate as they affect consumption, saving and investment.	Direct Instruction	Exams Quizzes Assignment
1.3	Exhibit ongoing knowledge and understanding of the contemporary banking and monetary system, and the role of money, credit, and monetary policy.	Direct Instruction	Exams Quizzes Assignment
2.0	Skills		
2.1	Possess knowledge and understanding of the factors that affect aggregate demand and aggregate supply both short and long run.	Direct Instruction	Exams Quizzes Assignment
2.2	Demonstrate written and oral communication skills to work in groups and actively participate in the course forum discussions	Direct Instruction	Exams Quizzes Assignment
3.0	Values		
3.1	Perseverance and persistence in achievement and excellence, through continuous personal and professional development in Macroeconomics	Indirect Instruction	Assignment
3.2	Self-evaluation of the level of learning and performance through continuous personal and professional development.	Indirect Instruction	Assignment
3.3	Leading and participation in group work by actively participating in the course forum discussions.	Indirect Instruction	Assignment
2. Assessment Tasks for Students			

#	Assessment task*	Week Due	Percentage of Total Assessment Score
1	Quiz		10%
2	Homework/Assessments/Projects		20%
3	Mid term		30%
4	Final Exam		40%

\*Assessment task (i.e., written test, oral test, oral presentation, group project, essay, etc.)

### E. Student Academic Counseling and Support

Arrangements for availability of faculty and teaching staff for individual student consultations and academic advice:

- 1. Eight Office hours weekly can be booked through the students' SIS account.
- 2. Online discussion through the LMS forums and instant messaging.
- 3. Instructor email available in the course syllabus.
- 4. Occasional mobile calls or SMS for urgent messages.

# **F. Learning Resources and Facilities**

### **1.Learning Resources**

Required Textbooks	<ul> <li>N. Gregory Mankiw and Mohamed H. Rashwan (2020) "Principles of Economics Arab World Edition" Cengage Learning. ISBN: 978-1-4737-4950-4</li> </ul>
Essential References Materials	
Electronic Materials	
Other Learning Materials	

### 2. Facilities Required

Item	Resources
Accommodation (Classrooms, laboratories, demonstration rooms/labs, etc.)	Classroom.
<b>Technology Resources</b> (AV, data show, Smart Board, software, etc.)	Data show + smart boards.
Other Resources (Specify, e.g. if specific laboratory equipment is required, list requirements or attach a list)	Internet access point.

### **G.** Course Quality Evaluation

Evaluation Areas/Issues	Evaluators	<b>Evaluation Methods</b>
End of semester Course Evaluation.	• Students	• Indirect
Effectiveness of teaching and assessment.	• Peer reviewer	• Indirect
Course learning outcomes assessment.	• Faculty members	• Direct
Quality of learning resources	• Students	• Indirect

Evaluation areas (e.g., Effectiveness of teaching and assessment, Extent of achievement of course learning outcomes, Quality of learning resources, etc.)
Evaluators (Students, Faculty, Program Leaders, Peer Reviewer, Others (specify)
Assessment Methods (Direct, Indirect)

Council / Committee	Department Meeting Number 3, second semester, 2021-2022
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### **H. Specification Approval Data**

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