# Macronomics for business

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## ***COURSE AIMS AND INTENDED LEARNING OUTCOMES***

This course offers to the students the definition and the ability to interpret the most important economic variables. The course starts with a short-run perspective and analyses the goods and financial markets. Then the perspective is extended to both medium and short –run. The role of the institutions, both at the national and at the European level, in the functioning of the economy will be analysed.

At the end of the course, the student will know how to:

* Interpret and analyse basic macroeconomic data.
* Use basic macroeconomic models.
* Evaluate the importance of international financial and economic relationships.
* Analyse Europe's economic and institutional frameworks.

***COURSE CONTENT***

The course content is organized as it follows:

* Macroeconomics and Covid-19.
* The basic concept of macroeconomics.
* The Goods Market.
* Financial Markets.
* The Labour Market.
* Growth.
* The European institutional framework.

***READING LIST[[1]](#footnote-1)***

- Lecture slides

R. DORNBUSCH, S. FISCHER, R. STARTZ *Macroeconomics,* Thirteenth Edition, Mc Graw Hill Education International Edition, 2018.

Additional teaching material as slides, papers, readings, group work assignments will be uploaded in Blackboard, from time to time.

***Course Methodology***

The course is structured as a mix of lectures, exercises and class discussion of assigned readings. It is therefore important that students come to each class prepared to be active participants.

# The course assumes full attendance and active participation. Should students have problems in attending, they should please contact the instructor.

***ASSESSMENT METHOD AND CRITERIA***

The final grade is the weighted average of the assessment/group presentation (30%) and the final written exam (70%).

The final exam will include a mix of multiple choice and short-essay questions. The final exam will test the knowledge and the ability to apply it in specific economic contexts.

In the case of students not attending class the closed book written exam is worth 100%. The exam will include a mix of multiple choice and short-essay questions.

The course evaluation is expressed by means of a grade on a 30-point scale.

***NOTES AND PREREQUISITES***

This is an introductory course, and no prerequisites are necessary. However, attending the course, reading in advance learning materials and actively participating to the discussion in class will for sure enable student to obtain a good understanding of the topics and will be important for successfully perform at the exam.

Information on office hours is available on the teacher's personal page at <http://docenti.unicatt.it/>.

1. I testi indicati nella bibliografia sono acquistabili presso le librerie di Ateneo; è possibile acquistarli anche presso altri rivenditori. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)