

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

01:220:301:09 Money, Banking and Financial Markets Spring 2018

Class Hours: Tuesday and Thursday 2:50 pm – 4:10 pm
Classroom: CAC Hardenbergh Hall A7

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Office Hours: Monday 9:00 am – 10:30 am
Prerequisites: 220:102 Intro to Micro and 220:103 Intro to Macro
Course level: Lower-level elective
Final Exam: Friday, May 4, 1:00pm-3:00pm, HH A7

COURSE DESCRIPTION: This course provides with an introduction to how financial markets, institutions and policies have worked together to maintain the economic well-being in the United States. We will learn about the role of money, interest rate, financial instrument, central bank and monetary policy, and how these components work together to ensure financial stability in the economy.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES: Students who satisfactorily complete Money & Banking will understand the role of money and banks in the broader economy. Specifically, students should garner an understanding of the unique role of banks in the financial system. Students will also learn the relevance of the Federal Reserve and related central banking topics, including the causes, policy responses, and lessons associated with financial market crises.

TEXTBOOK: The Economics of Money, Banking and Financial Markets 11/e (or earlier version) by Frederick Mishkin

Alternative textbook:

Money, Banking and Financial Markets 5th Edition by Stephen G. Cecchetti and Kermit L. Schoenholtz

COURSE WEBSITE: Sakai (<http://sakai.rutgers.edu>). This website will be used to make announcements and post course materials. You should check the website regularly.

METHOD OF EVALUATION:

Course grades will be determined as follows:

Assignments	25%
(6 assignments in total, 5/6 highest scores are counted toward your course grade.)	
Midterm 1 (Thu, Feb 8)	20%
Midterm 2 (Thu, Mar 8)	25%
Final Exam (1:00pm-3:00pm, Fri, May 4)	30%

COURSE SCHEDULE:

Date	Topic	Material
1. Week of Jan 16	Introduction	Chapter 1-3
2. Week of Jan 23	Financial Market I	Chapter 4,5
3. Week of Jan 30	Financial Market II	Chapter 6,7
4. Week of Feb 6	Review + Midterm I	
5. Week of Feb 13	Financial Institution I	Chapter 8-9
6. Week of Feb 20	Financial Institution II	Chapter 10-11
7. Week of Feb 27	Foreign Exchange Market	Chapter 12,17
8. Week of Mar 6	Review + Midterm II	Chapter 8-12,17
9. Week of Mar 13	Spring Break	Chapter
10. Week of Mar 20	Central Bank I	Chapter 13,14
11. Week of Mar 27	Federal Reserve System	Chapter 15,16
12. Week of Apr 3	Monetary Policy I	Chapter 19,20
13. Week of Apr 10	Monetary Policy II	Chapter 21,22
14. Week of Apr 17	Monetary Policy III	Chapter 23-25
15. Week of Apr 24	Guest Lecture + Review	
16 Friday, May 4	Final Exam (1:00pm-3:00pm, HH A7)	

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