



ECON 315: Money, Banking and Financial Markets
Summer 2023
May 29 – June 23, 2023

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Location: Online Credit: 3 units

Course Description

This course investigates how central banks, commercial banks and private sectors (households and firms) interact with each other to shape the exercise and the outcome of monetary policy. We first introduce the fundamental role of interest rates in the pricing of bonds and stocks, then we continue to discuss the determinants of interest rate as well as its risk structure and term structure. Next, we explore topics on money, such as the function, the measure, and the creation of money via multiple deposit process by commercial banks. In doing this, we would also understand the operation and the management of banks. Then, the course will review the process of money supply to illustrate the function and the mechanism of monetary policy tools, with a concentration on open market operation and quantitative easing practice. The next effort of the course is to explain, from a theoretical perspective, how money demand forms and how it interacts with money supply policy to shape the financial market and the real economy. Finally, we will examine, in a small open economy like Canada, how the world could affect domestic interest rates, money supply, inflation and output via changes in foreign exchange market, especially during a crisis time.

In order to enhance learning outcomes, practice and data of monetary policy by major central banks, including the Fed, Bank of Canada, Bank of America and Euro Central Bank will be used to demonstrate the points of above teaching contents. Students are also allowed to review their knowledge of intermediate macroeconomics beforehand.

Required Textbook:

Economics of Money, Banking and Financial Markets by Mishkin, 12e, ISBN-10: 0134733827

Grading Policy:

Your class grading will be based on your homework, quizzes and the final exams, with the following weights and scale:

- 1) Homework: 20%
- 2) Four Quizzes: 10 % each, 40% in total
- 3) Final Exam: 40%



A	90-100	C+	72-74
A-	85-89	C	68-71
B+	82-84	C-	64-67
B	78-81	D	60-63
B-	75-77	F	below 60

Note 1: There is NO make-up quiz and/or exam for ANY reason. If you miss any quiz for any reason, the weight of that quiz will automatically enter your final exam.

Quizzes:

There is a total of four weekly quizzes. The purpose of quizzes is to keep you updated about lecture materials and to help you study for the final exam. Quiz questions will closely follow lecture materials and will be reflected in the final exam, though not in the same form.

Ground Rules:

Free discussion of lecture topics is encouraged. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask. It is your responsibility to follow any announcements made during the class and/or via emails.

Course Schedule:

This is a tentative schedule of the class. The instructor may adjust the schedule and topics based on the progress of lecturing and the difficulties of topics.

Week1	Chapter 1 Why Study Money, Banking and Financial Markets?
	Chapter 2 An Overview of the Financial System
	Chapter 4 The Meaning of Interest Rate



Week 2	Chapter 7 The Stock Market and the Efficient Market Hypothesis
	Chapter 5 The Behavior of Interest Rate
	Discussion hours
	Chapter 6 The Risk and Term Structure of Interest Rate
	Chapter 8 An Economic Analysis of Financial Structure
	Chapter 9 Banking and the Management of Financial Institutions
	Chapter 3 What is Money?
Week 3	Chapter 14 Central Banks and Bank of Canada
	Discussion Hours
	Chapter 15 The Money Supply Process
	Chapter 16 Tools of Monetary Policy
	Chapter 17 The Conduct of Monetary Policy: Strategy and Tactics
	Chapter 20 Quantity Theory, Inflation and Demand for Money
	Chapter 21-22 The IS Curve, Monetary Policy and AD Curve
	Discussion hours



Week 4	Chapter 24 Monetary Policy Theory
	Chapter 18 The Foreign Exchange Market
	Chapter 19 International Financial System
	Chapter 13 Financial Crises in Emerging Economies
	Final Exam

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- Chapter 21 The IS Curve
- Chapter 22 Monetary Policy and Aggregate Demand Curve
- Chapter 24 Monetary Policy Theory