

MONEY AND BANKING
M&W 11:00 am-12:15 pm, SPA-204

ECONOMICS 320

**In order to take this class, students must have taken a MACROECONOMICS & MICROECONOMICS class.*

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Course Overview: This course will begin by examining the nature and functions of money, the behavior of interest rates, and the structure of the banking system and other financial institutions. We will then study the Federal Reserve System and monetary policy, and the effects of monetary policy on economic activity.

Textbook: Required. Mishkin, The Economics of Money, Banking, and Financial Markets, 8th edition, Pearson Education, Inc. We will tentatively cover chapters 1-6, 12-19, and 22-25.

Companion Web Site: Contains chapter overviews, quizzes, current event stories, and other materials to help you study. Go to http://wps.aw.com/aw_mishkin_econmbfm_8.

Beachboard: The course materials and grades can be accessed through the Beachboard web site at <http://beachboard.csulb.edu>.

Final Grade Distribution:	Two midterms	55% (each weighted equally)
	Final exam	30%
	Problems	10% (each weighted equally)
	Participation and attendance	<u>5%</u>
	TOTAL:	100%

The approximate final grade distribution for the course will be as follows. Adjustments will be made as necessary. A: 90% and above; B: 80-89%; C: 70-79%; D: 60-69%; F: below 60%.

Exam Schedule:	Monday, September 29, (Midterm #1: Chapters 1-6)
	Monday, October 27 (Midterm #2: Chapters 12-16)
	Monday, November 24, (Midterm #3: Chapters 17-19, 22-23)
	Monday, December 15, 10:15-12:15, (Final: Cumulative)

Makeup Exams: Please review the exam schedule above to make sure that you will be available for each of the exams since NO makeup exams for the midterms will be given. Instead, I will drop the lowest midterm score for each student. If you have an unusual personal situation that causes you to miss more than one midterm exam I can consider your case on an individual basis. Please note that the Department of Economics and the College of Liberal Arts requires supporting documentation in such cases (e.g. copies of physician statements, death certificates, etc.) If you miss the final exam, you must have documentation that one of the following prevented you from taking the exam: 1) an illness or injury to the student that prevents the student from taking the exam; 2) death, injury or serious illness of an immediate family member; 3) religious reasons; 4) government obligations (e.g. jury duty); and 5) CSULB-sponsored activities. Again, appropriate documentation must be provided.

Attendance: Attendance at every lecture is expected. Absences should be kept to a minimum. If you do miss a class, you should get the notes from another student. Participation and attendance will count for 5% of your grade. Each student will receive 3 “free” absences. Thereafter, each absence will result in a 1 point deduction in attendance (out of a total of 25).

Problem Sets: Problem sets will determine 10% of your grade. There will be 6 assigned, and the lowest one will be dropped. No late problems will be accepted, no exceptions. These will be graded on effort more than how correct your answers are. Don’t give up a chance to get easy points!

Academic Honesty: All academic dishonesty will result in a grade of zero on the work in question and will be immediately reported to the University.

Disability policy: It is the student's responsibility to notify the instructor in advance of the need for accommodation of a disability or of the expected dates of predictable excused absences.

Withdrawals: THE INSTRUCTOR IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR DROPPING ENROLLED STUDENTS. Students are obligated to officially withdraw even though they have not attended classes. Students who fail to officially withdraw are subject to a failing grade in the course. For more information, please consult the *Schedule of Classes*.