KATHMANDU UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT BBA/BBIS

BBA/ BBIS		
Course Title	MACROECONOMICS	
Course Code Number	ECO 210	
Credit Hours	3	
Course Objective		
Main Objective	The objective of the course is to provide exposure to the basic concepts, tools and theories of macroeconomics with the intention of enabling the students in identifying and analyzing fundamental national and international macroeconomic issues useful to business management decision-making.	
Learning Unit		
Learning Unit One	1. Basic Concepts	
Net Contact Hours -4	Introduction; Basic Economic Problem/Issue: Resource Scarcity and Efficiency;	
hrs	Macroeconomics' objectives: Growth, Employment and Price stability; Opportunity	
	cost; Stocks	
	and Flows; Society's Technological Possibility; Economic Organizations: Market,	
	Command,	
	Mixed Economies (Market and Government); Black or Underground Economy;	
	Economic	
	Models; Equilibrium and Disequilibrium; Resources/ Inputs and Outputs/Value added.	
Learning Unit Two	2. Measuring National Economic Activity	
Net Contact Hours - 6	The Concept of National Accounts; Essence of Economic Flows: Sectors of the	
hrs	Economy: Household, Firm/Enterprise, Government, Financial, Foreign/External;	
	Circular Flow of Macroeconomic Activity/National Income: Flow-of-Product (Final	
	Goods) and Earnings or Cost/Expenditure Approaches; Gross Domestic Product (GDP) and Gross National Product (GNP) and Capital Consumption/Depreciation; Nominal and	
	Real GDP, and GDP Deflator; Actual and Potential/Full Employment GDP/Output;	
	Disposable Income and Saving; National Income Aggregates: Components of GDP and	
	GNP.	
Learning Unit Three	3. Consumption and Investment	
Net Contact Hours - 5	3.1 Consumption	
hrs	Budgetary Expenditure Patterns; Consumption, Income and Saving; Consumption	
	Function; Savings Function; Marginal Propensity to Consume; Marginal Propensity to	
	Save; National Consumption Behavior; Determinants of Consumption; National	
	Consumption Function; Multiplier Model.	
	3.2 Investment	
	Constituents of Investment; Determinants of Investment; Investment Demand Curve;	
	Accelerator Principle.	
Learning Unit Four	4. Aggregate Demand and Supply	
Net Contact Hours - 5	Concepts of Aggregate Demand and Aggregate Supply, and their Schedules; Output and	
hrs	Employment Determination; Demand side (Level of aggregate demand) and Supply-side	
	(Productivity and production costs) Economics. Concept of Inflationary and	
¥ . ¥7 1. ***	Deflationary Gap	
Learning Unit Five	5. Money and Banking	
Net Contact Hours - 6	Definition and Functions of Money; Demand for Money and the Quantity Theory of	
hrs	Money; Renking System and the Economy: Credit Creation by Commercial Ranks: Financial	
	Banking System and the Economy; Credit Creation by Commercial Banks; Financial Intermediaries (depository and non-depository institutions).	
Learning Unit Six	6. Monetary Policy along with Open Economy	
Net Contact Hours - 7	The Concept of Money Supply; (theories and application) Narrow and Broad Money	
hrs	Supplies;	
	Central Banking; Objectives and Instruments of Monetary Policy; Targeting Money	
	Supply; Managing Money Supply: use of instrument to manage money supply; Types of	
	Exchange Rates (including Nominal and Real Exchange Rates, Determinants, Net	
	Exports, and Balance of Payments.	
Learning Unit Seven	7. Inflation Unemployment and underemployment	
Net Contact Hours - 5	Concepts of Inflation, Unemployment and Underemployment; Concept of Consumer	
hrs	Price Index (CPI) and its calculation, Concept of Wholesale Price Index (WPI); Inflation	
	Targeting; Inflation and Unemployment Trade-off.	

Learning Unit Eight	8. Business/Trade Cycle
Net Contact Hours - 4	The Concept of the Business Cycle; Business Cycle Theories; Business Cycles and
hrs	Business Decision making.
Learning Unit Nine	9. Public Finance
Net Contact Hours - 6	Concept of Public Finance; Role of Government in the Economy; Government
hrs	Budgeting; Fiscal Policy: Objectives and Instruments; Taxation Policy and Investment
	Decisions; Fiscal – Monetary Mix; Deficit Financing; Government or Public Debt
	Management.
Total Contact Hours	48 hrs (excluding assessment and final examination)
Basic Text	Samulelson, P. A. & Nordhaus, W.D. (2010). Economics (19th ed.). New Delhi: Tata
	McGraw-Hill. (Indian Adptation by SudipChaudari and AnimdyaSen)
Other References	Lipsey, R. G. & Crystal, K. A. (2010). Economics (12th ed.). Noida: Oxford University
	Press.
	Mankiew, N. G. (2011). <i>Macroeconomics</i> , (6th Ed.). Worth Publisher.
Evaluation Scheme	In-Semester evaluation 50%
	End-Semester evaluation 50%
	Total 100%

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