# Far Western University Mahendranagar, Kanchanpur Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences



**B. A. Economics** 

# Far Western University Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences B. A. Economics Course Structure

Course Code	<u>Course Title</u>	Credit	
Semester I			
ECO 101.1	Introductory Microeconomics	3	
ECO 102.2	Introductory Macroeconomics	3	
Semester II			
ECO121.1	Statistical Methods for Economics	3	
ECO 122.1	Mathematical Methods for Economics	3	
Semester III			
ECO 231	Microeconomics	3	
ECO 232	Macroeconomics	3	
<b>Semester IV</b>			
ECO 241	Development Economics I	3	
ECO 242	Basic Econometrics	3	
Semester V			
ECO 351	Development Economics II	3	
ECO 352	History of Economic Thought	3	
Semester VI			
ECO 361	Banking, Money, and Financial Institutions	3	
ECO 362	Nepalese Economy	3	
Semester VI	<u>[</u>		
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ECO 472 Research Methodology Data Analysis for Economics 3			
Semester VIII			
ECO 481	Sustainable Development	3	
ECO 482	International Economics	3	

Course Title: Introductory Microeconomics Full Marks: 100
Course Code: ECO 101.1 Pass Marks: 45

Level: Undergraduate Credit: 3

Year: First, Semester First
Nature of Course: Theory

Teaching Hours: 45
Nature: Compulsory

#### 1. Course Description

This course is intended to provide a foundation in microeconomics. The course covers preliminary contents, and introduces students to basic microeconomic theories and application in economic life. The course encourages students to 'think like an economist'. The course incorporates seven units. The first unit deals with the basic concepts on microeconomics. The second unit analyzes demand and supply. Likewise, the third unit deals with consumer behavior. The fourth unit deals with theory of production. The fifth unit discusses on the cost and revenue curves of firm. The sixth unit concerns with market structure. Finally, the seventh unit deals with basic concepts on factor pricing. All topics are discussed with emphasis on real-world application. Case studies and current economic trends and developments are examined in Nepalese and global perspectives.

#### 2. Course Objectives

The general objectives of the course are as follows:

- To acquaint the students with basic concepts on microeconomics.
- To help the students to analyze demand and supply.
- To enable the students to analyze and compare cardinal and ordinal approaches for consumer equilibrium.
- To discuss production functions.
- To enable the students to analyze cost and revenue curves of firm.
- To familiarize students with market structure.
- To introduce the students to rent, wages, interest and profit.

<b>Specific Objectives</b>	Contents
	Unit I: Microeconomics: Basic Concepts (6)
• Discuss the meaning of economics	1.1 Meaning and Definition of Economics: Classical,
and microeconomics.	Neoclassical, Modern and Recent Views
• Differences Between	1.2 Microeconomics: Meaning and Definition
Microeconomics and	1.3 Differences Between Microeconomics and
Macroeconomics	Macroeconomics
• Explain the microeconomic	1.4 Microeconomic Analysis: Micro-static, Comparative
Analysis	Micro-static and Micro-dynamics
• Discuss microeconomic issues.	1.5 Basic Microeconomic Issues: Scarcity, Efficiency and
• Discuss the basic concepts of	Alternative Uses of Resources
economic models	1.7 Economic Models: Meaning and Need for Economic
	Analysis

- Discuss the basic concepts on Demand and Supply.
- Plot demand and supply curves; and clarify how market moves to an equilibrium position.
- Examine the determinants of demand and supply.
- Discuss the elasticity of demand and supply.
- Explain and analyze the methods for measurement of price elasticity of demand.
- Discuss the meaning of utility.
- Compare and contrast cardinal and ordinal analyses of utility.
- Illustrate and explain the properties of indifference curve with diagrams.
- Explain the concepts of budget constraint and effects of changes in consumer's budget and prices.
- Discuss consumer's equilibrium.
- Derive individual demand curve using ordinal Utility Analysis
- Explain and analyze the relationship between total, average, and marginal products.
- Discuss the concept of iso-quants, iso-cost lines, and expansion path
- Explain the meaning of marginal rate of technical substitution (MRTS)
- Explain and analyze optimal input combination.
- Discuss the law of Variable Proportions and the Law of Returns to Scale.
- Discuss various concepts of costs.
- Derive total, average and marginal cost curves in short-run and long-run.
- Derive total, average, and marginal revenue curves under perfect competitive market and monopoly.

#### **Unit II Demand and Supply Analyses (7)**

- 2.1 Demand
- 2.1.1 Meaning and Determinants of Demand,
- 2.1.2 Derivation of Individual and Market Demand Curves
- 2.2 Supply
- 2.2.1 Meaning of Supply and its Determinants
- 2.2.2 Derivation of Individual and Market Supply Curves
- 2. 3 Equilibrium in Market: Meaning, Excess Demand, Excess Supply
- 2.4 Elasticity of Demand
- 2.4.1 Meaning and Types: Price Elasticity, Income Elasticity, and Cross Elasticity
- 2.4.2 Measurement of Price Elasticity of Demand: Total Outlay Method, Point Method, and Arc Method
- 2.5 Elasticity of supply: Basic concept. (Numerical exercise)

#### **Unit III: Theory of Consumer Choice (7)**

- 3.1 Meaning and Types of Utility
- 3.2 Cardinal Vs. Ordinal Utility Analysis
- 3.3 Ordinal Utility Analysis
- 3.3.1 Indifference Curve Analysis: Meaning and Derivation
- 3.3.2, Marginal Rate of Substitution (MRS)
- 3.3.3 Properties of Indifference Curve
- 3.3.3 The Budget Line: Basic Concepts and its Derivation
- 3.3.3.1 Shift of Budget Line
- 3.3.4 Consumer's Equilibrium Under IC Analysis
- 3.3.5 Price Effect, Income Effect and Substitution Effect
- 3.3.6 Derivation of Demand Curve Under IC Analysis. (Numerical exercise)

#### **Unit IV: Theory of Production (6)**

- 4.1 Meaning and Types of Production
- 4.2 Meaning and Types of Production Function (One Variable and Two Variable Inputs)
- 4.3 Law of Variable Proportions
- 4. 4 Isoquants: Meaning and Derivation
- 4.4.1 Marginal Rate of Technical Substitution (MRTS)
- 4.4.2 Properties of Iso-Quants
- 4.5 Isocost Line: Meaning and Derivation
- 4.6 Optimal Input Combination
- 4.7 Laws of Returns to Scale (Numerical exercise)
- Unit V: Theory of Costs and Revenues (7)
- 5.1 Concepts of Costs
- 5.1.1 Fixed and Variable Costs
- 5.1.2 Accounting and Economic Costs
- 5.1.3 Sunk Costs
- 5.1.4 Short-run Total, Average, and Marginal Costs: Meaning, Schedules and Curves
- 5.1.5 Long-run Total, Average, and Marginal Costs: Meaning and Curves
- 5.2 Concepts and Types of Revenue: Meaning, Schedules and Curves
- 5.2.1 Total, Average, and Marginal Revenues Under Perfect

	Competitive Market:
	5.2.2 Total, Average and Marginal Revenues Under
	Monopoly
	(Numerical exercise)
Discuss the classification of	Unit VI: Market Structures and Product Pricing (8)
market.	6.1 Market Structure: Meaning and Classification
Compare and contrast various	6.2 Perfect Competition
types of markets.	6.2.1 Features
Discuss and analyze short run	6.2.2 Short run Equilibrium of Firm and Industry (TR-TC
and long run equilibriums in	and MR- MC Approach)
various markets.	6.2.3 Long run Equilibrium of Firm and Industry
• Explore the sources of	6.3 Monopoly
monopoly.	6.3.1 Features
• Concept of oligopoly and	6.3.2 Sources of Monopoly
Duopoly	6.3.3 Short run Equilibrium (TR-TC and MR- MC
	Approach)
	6.3. Long run Equilibrium
	6.4 Monopolistic Competition: Features, Short run and Long
	run equilibriums
	6.5 Oligopoly: Meaning and Features
	6.6 Concepts of Duopoly
	(Numerical exercise)
• Discuss the meaning and	Unit VII: Theory of factor Pricing (4)
types of rent, wages, interest	7.1 Rent
and profit.	7.1.1 Meaning and Types
• Explain the Modern Theory	7.1.2 Modern Theory of Rent
of Rent	7.2 Wages
• Analyze Marginal	7.2.1 Meaning and Types
Productivity Theory of Wages	7.2.2 Marginal Productivity Theory of Wages
• Explain the liquidity	7.3 Interest
preference theory of interest.	7.3.1 Meaning and Types
• Assess the Innovation	7.3.2 The Liquidity Preference Theory of Interest
Theory of Profit	7.4 Profit
Theory of Front	7.4.1 Meaning and Types
	7.4.2 Innovation Theory of Profit
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Note: (i) The figures in the parentheses indicate the approximate periods for the respective units. (ii) Total periods (50 Hrs) include the time required for class-room teaching (45 Hrs), Mid-term examination (2 Hrs) and End-term examination (3 Hrs).

#### **Evaluation**

Internal Exam (40%)

Final Examination (60%)

4. Prescribed Books and References

#### **Prescribed Books**

- Mankiw, N.G. (2011). *Principles of Microeconomics*. Sixth Edition, USA: South-Western College publications.

- Lipsey & Chrystal (2011). *Economics, Twelfth Edition*, New York: Oxford University Press.
- Pindyck, R.S.; Rubinfeld D.L.& Mehata, P.L.(2009). Microeconomics. Delhi: Pearson

Course Title: Title: Introductory Macroeconomics

Course Code: ECO 102.2

Level: Undergraduate

Year: First, Semester First

Full Marks: 100

Pass Marks: 45

Credit: 3

Teaching Hours: 45

Nature of Course: Theory Nature: Compulsory

#### 1. Course Description:

This course is intended to provide a foundation in macroeconomics. The course covers preliminary contents, and introduces students to basic macroeconomic theories and emerging economic issues in the global level. The course encourages students to analyze national, regional and world economy. The course incorporates eleven units. The first unit deals with the basic concepts of macroeconomics. The second unit analyzes the circular flow of income and expenditure in closed and open economies. Likewise, the third unit deals with national income accounting. The fourth unit deals with unemployment and inflation. The fifth unit introduces the classical theory of employment. The sixth unit concerns with the principle of effective demand. Likewise, the seventh unit deals with consumption, saving and investment functions. The eighth unit deals with goods market equilibrium and multiplier process. The ninth unit introduces money market equilibrium. The tenth unit deals with business cycle. Finally, the eleventh unit deals with fiscal and monetary policies.

All topics are discussed with emphasis on real-world application. Case studies and current economic trends and developments are examined in Nepalese and global perspectives.

#### 2. Course Objectives:

The general objectives of the course are as follows:

- To acquaint the students with macroeconomic issues and macroeconomic model building.
- To help the students to analyze the circular flow of income and expenditure in an economy.
- To enable the students to discuss on various concepts of national income and measurement of national income.
- To enable the students to discuss on the concept of unemployment, and measurement of inflation.
- To introduce students to the Classical Theory of Employment.
- To acquaint the students with the Principle of Effective Demand.
- To help the students analyze consumption, saving and investment functions.
- To acquaint the students with 'Goods market equilibrium' in open and closed economies.
- To enable the students with the equilibrium of money market highlighting the Lonable Fund Theory and the Liquidity Preference Theory.
- To introduce the students to the phases of business cycle; and to the Great Depression of 1930s and Financial Crisis of 2008s.
- To acquaint the students with objectives and tools of fiscal and monetary policies.

Specific Objectives		bjectives	Contents	
• Discuss	basic	macroeconomic	Unit I: Basic Concepts of Macroeconomics	(5)
issues.				

<ul> <li>Analyze the interdependence of microeconomics and macroeconomics.</li> <li>Discuss macroeconomic model building.</li> </ul>	1.2 Basic Macroeconomic Issues: Issue of Economic Growth, Issue of Business Cycle, Issue of Inflation, Issues of Unemployment and Poverty     1.3 Interdependence of Microeconomics and Macroeconomics     1.4 Macroeconomic Variables and Model Building
<ul> <li>Compare and contrast various concepts of national income.</li> <li>Analyze different methods of measurement of national income.</li> <li>Explore and appreciate the difficulties in the measurement of national income.</li> <li>Discuss the meaning of underground economy.</li> </ul>	Unit II: National Income and Its Measurement 2.1 Meaning and Definitions of National Income 2.2 Various Notions of National Income 2.2.1 Gross Domestic Product (GDP): Nominal  GDP  and Real GDP  2.2.2 Gross National Product (GNP) 2.2.3 Net National Product (NNP) 2.2.4 National Income (NI)/ NNP at Factor Cost 2.2.5 Personal Income (PI) 2.2.6 Disposable Income (DI) 2.2.7 Per Capita Income (PCI) 2.2.8 Computation of National Income: Expenditure Method, Income Method and Product Method 2.3 Difficulties in the Measurement of National Income 2.4 Meaning of Underground Economy (Numerical exercise)
Discuss the circular flow of income and expenditure in closed and open economies.	Unit III: Circular Flow of Income and expenditure (3)  3.1 Circular Flow of Income and Expenditure in Closed Economy 3.1.1 Circular Flow of Income and Expenditure in Two-  sector Economy 3.1.2 Circular Flow of Income and Expenditure in Three-sector Economy 3.2 Circular Flow of Income and Expenditure in Open Economy
• Discuss various types of	Unit IV: Unemployment and Inflation (6)
unemployment.	4.1 Unemployment
<ul><li>Discuss the meaning of inflation.</li><li>Discuss the measurement of rate</li></ul>	4.1.1 Concept of Unemployment
of inflation using CPI and GDP	4.1.2 Measurement of the Unemployment Rate and
Deflator.  • Analyze the relationship between	The Labor-Force Participation Rate
inflation-rate and unemployment in short-run.	4.1.3 Types of Unemployment: Frictional
	Unemployment, Structural
	Unemployment, Cyclical
	Unemployment, Natural Rate of
	Unemployment
	4.2 Inflation
	4.2.1 Meaning and Definition 4.2.2 Measurement of Inflation using CPI and GDP Deflator

	4.2 Chart was Dhilling Carry
	4.3 Short-run Phillips Curve
	(Numerical exercise)
<ul> <li>Discuss and assess Say's Law.</li> <li>Enable the learners to discuss aggregate supply price and aggregate demand price.</li> <li>Explain the determination of effective demand.</li> <li>Analyze and illustrate the</li> </ul>	Unit V: Theory of Employment (5) 5.1 Classical Theory of Employment and its Criticisms 5.2 Say's Law of Market and its Criticisms 5.3 Principle of Effective Demand 5.3.1 Aggregate Supply Price 5.3.2 Aggregate Demand Price 5.3.3 Determination of Effective Demand  Unit VI: Consumption, Saving and Investment Functions (8)
concept of consumption function, APC and MPC.  Appreciate the Keynes' Psychological Law of Consumption.  Derive saving function from consumption function  Discuss the relationships between/among APC, MPC, APS and MPS.  Analyze the investment function.  Explore the determinants of investment.  Discuss various types of multipliers.  Explain how multiplier process works.  Appreciate the expansionary effect of government expenditure over contractionary effect of same amount of tax.	6.1 Consumption Function 6.1.1 Concept of Consumption Function 6.1.2 Average Propensity to Consume (APC) and Marginal Propensity to Consume (MPC) 6.1.3 Psychological Law of Consumption 6.1.4 Determinants of Consumption Function 6.2 Saving Function 6.2.1 Derivation of Saving Function from Consumption Function 6.2.2 Average Propensity to Save (APS) and Marginal Propensity to Save (MPS) 6.2.3 Paradox of Thrift 6.3 Investment Function 6.3.1 Concept of Investment Function 6.3.2 Determinants of Investment 6.4 Multipliers: 6.4.1 Concept of Multiplier, and Multiplier Process 6.4.2 Types of Multipliers: Investment Multiplier, Government Expenditure Multiplier, Tax Multiplier 6.5 Comparison of Expansionary Effect of Government Expenditure Multiplier and Contractionary Effect of Tax Multiplier
	(Numerical exercise)
<ul> <li>Discuss the phases of business cycle.</li> <li>Analyze the origin and impacts of the Great Depression of 1930s and of the Financial Crisis of 2008s.</li> </ul>	Unit VII: Business Cycles (4) 7.1 Phases of Business Cycle 7.2 Great Depression of 1930s: Origin and Impact 7.3 Financial Crisis of 2008s: Origin and Impact
<ul> <li>Discuss the meaning, objectives and tools of fiscal and monetary policies.</li> <li>Overview the current fiscal and monetary policies of Nepal.</li> </ul>	Unit VII: Fiscal and Monetary Policies (6) 8.1 Fiscal Policies: Meaning, Objectives and Instruments 8.2 Monetary Policies: Meaning, Objectives and Instruments 8.3 Overview of Current Fiscal and Monetary Policies of Nepal

*Note:* The figures in the parentheses indicate the approximate periods for the respective units.

#### **Evaluation**

Internal Exam (40%)

Final Examination (60%)

#### 4. Prescribed Books:

#### **Text Books**

- Dwivedi, D.N. (2010). *Macroeconomics: Theory and Policy*, Third Edition, Delhi: Tata McGraw Hill Education Private Limited. [for units I, VIII & XI]
- Jhingan, M.L. (2010). *Macroeconomic Theory*, Twelfth Edition, Delhi: Vrinda Publications (P) Ltd. [for units I, II, III, V, VI,VII, VIII, IX & X]
- Mankiw, N.G. (2011). *Principles of Macroeconomics*, Sixth Edition, USA: Southwestern College Publications. [for unit IV]

- Bueda & Wyplosz (2009). *Macroeconomics: A European Text*, Fifth Edition, New York: Oxford University Press.
- Lipsey & Chrystal (2011). *Economics, Twelfth Edition*, New York: Oxford University Press.
- Shapiro, E. (2010). *Macroeconomic Analysis*, Fifth Edition, New Delhi: Galgotia Publication.

Course Title: **Statistical Methods for Economics**Full Marks: 100

Pass Marks: 45

Year: First, Semester: Second Time per Period: 1 Hour

Level: B.A. Total Periods: 48

#### 1. Course Description:

This course is intended to provide statistical methods for economic analysis. The emphasis of the course is on the application of statistical tools in economics. The course incorporates nine units. The first unit deals with data collection and sampling. The second unit analyzes measures of central tendency. Likewise, the third unit deals with measures of dispersion. The fourth unit deals with probability theory. The fifth unit discusses on the random variables and probability distributions. The sixth unit concerns with correlation and regression. Likewise, the seventh unit discusses on time series analysis. The eighth unit explains the use of index numbers. Finally, the ninth unit deals with need for statistical tools in research.

All topics are discussed with emphasis on interpretation of results. Case studies and current economic trends and developments are examined in Nepalese and global perspectives as far as possible.

#### 2. Course Objectives:

The general objectives of the course are as follows:

- To acquaint the students with sampling.
- To help the students to use measures of central tendency.
- To enable the students to employ measures of dispersion.
- To discuss probability theory.
- To enable the students to analyze random variables and probability distributions.
- To enable the students to use correlation and regression in economics.
- To acquaint the students with time series analysis.
- To help the students to use index numbers.
- To introduce the students to the applications of statistical tools for research.

<b>Specific Objectives</b>	Contents
<ul> <li>Appreciate the use of statistics in economics.</li> <li>Distinguish population and mean, and parameters and statistics.</li> <li>Compare and contrast various types of sampling methods.</li> <li>Explain the classification and tabulation of data.</li> <li>Use various ways of presentation of data.</li> </ul>	Unit I: Introduction (8)  1.1 Meaning of Statistics, Use of statistics in Economics 1.2 Data Collection: Primary Data and Secondary Data 1.3 Sampling 1.3.1 Objectives of Sampling 1.3.2 Types of Sampling: Probability Sampling and Non-Probability Sampling 1.4 Population, Sample, Parameters and Statistic 1.5 Classification and Tabulation of Data: Meaning and Examples 1.6 Presentation of Data: Bar Diagrams, Pie-Diagram, Histogram, Frequency Curve, Frequency Polygon, Ogives
• Explain the use of	Unit II: Measures of Central Tendency (4)

measures of central tendency.	<ul><li>2.1 Basic Concepts</li><li>2.1.1 Arithmetic Mean: Meaning and Use</li></ul>
• Compare and use various	2.1.2 Geometric Mean: Meaning and Use
measures of central	2.1.3 Harmonic Mean: Meaning and Use
tendency.	2.2.1 Median: Meaning and Use
Compare absolute and relative measures of dispersion.	Unit III: Measures of Dispersion (3) 3.1 Basic Concepts 3.1.1 Range: Meaning and Use
• Explain the use of	3.1.2 Mean Deviation: Meaning and Use
<ul><li>measures of dispersion.</li><li>Compare and use various measures of dispersion.</li></ul>	3.1.3 Standard Deviation, Variance and Coefficient of Variation: Meaning and Use
measures of dispersion.	TI 'THE CD I IN (C)
• Evaloin the besis	Unit IV: Theory of Probability (6) 4.1 concept of Probability
• Explain the basic concepts of probability.	4.1 Concept of Probability 4.2 Terminologies used in Probability: Events,
<ul><li>Use the addition and</li></ul>	Experiment, Sample Space, Mutually Exclusive Events,
multiplication rules of	Independent Events
probability.	4.3 Addition and Multiplication Rules
• Explain the application of	4.4 Conditional Probability and Bayes' Rule
conditional probability and	
Bayes' Rule.	
• Explain the meaning of	Unit V: Random Variables and Probability
random variable.	Distributions (7)
• Distinguish discrete and	5.1 Meaning of Random Variables 5.1.1 Discrete Random Variables: Mean and Variance
continuous random	5.1.2 Continuous Random Variables: Mean and Variance
variables.	5.2 Probability Distributions
• Use binomial, Poisson and normal distributions	5.2.1 Binomial Distribution
to solve economic	5.2.2 Poisson Distribution
problems.	5.2.3 Normal Distribution
Use Karl Pearson's	Unit VI: Correlation and Regression (7)
correlation coefficient	6.1 Introduction to Correlation
and Rank correlation	6.1.1 Measurement of Correlation: Karl Pearson's
coefficient to show the	Correlation
degree of relationship	Coefficient, Rank correlation Coefficient
between variables.	6.1.2 Use of Correlation Analysis in Economics
Employ OLS method to	6.2 Introduction to Regression Analysis
derive the relationship	6.2.1 Simple Linear Regression Analysis
between economic	6.2.2 OLS Method 6.2.3 Coefficient of Determination
variables.	6.3 Use of Regression Analysis in
• Use regression analysis for demand estimation	Economics
and forecasting.	
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<ul> <li>Discuss the components of time series.</li> <li>Appreciate and discuss the importance of time series analysis in economics.</li> <li>Use moving averages and exponential smoothing methods for forecasting.</li> </ul>	Unit VII: Time Series Forecasting (5) 7.1 Types of Data: Time Series, Cross Sectional and Pooled 7.2 Components of Time Series: Secular Trend, Cyclical Fluctuations, Seasonal Variation, Random Influences 7.3 Smoothing Techniques: Moving Averages and Exponential Smoothing
<ul> <li>Explain the meaning and importance of index numbers.</li> <li>Discuss the construction of index numbers.</li> <li>Analyze the difficulties in the construction of index numbers.</li> <li>Employ index numbers in economic analysis.</li> </ul>	Unit VIII: Index Numbers (5) 8.1 Index Numbers: Basic Concepts and Importance 8.2 Construction of Index Numbers, and Difficulties in the Construction of Index Numbers 8.3 Types of Index Numbers 8.3.1 Simple Index Numbers 8.3.2 Weighted Index Numbers: Laspeyre's Index Number, Paasche's Index Number and Fisher's Ideal Index Number 8.4 Time and Factor Reversal Tests 8.5 Use of Index Number in Economics

*Note:*(*i*) *The figures in the parentheses indicate the approximate periods for the respective units.* 

- (ii) Total periods (50 Hrs) include the time required for class-room teaching (45 Hrs), Mid-term examination (2 Hrs) and End-term examination (3 Hrs).
- 4. Prescribed Books and References

#### **Prescribed Books**

- Anderson, D.R.; Sweeney, D.J.; & Williams, T.A. (2009). Statistics for Business and Economics. Tenth

Edition, USA: Thomson South-Western.

- Moore, D.S.; McCabe, G.P.; Alwan, L. C.; Craig, B.A.; & Duckworh, W.M. (2011). The *Practice of Statistics for Business and Economics*. Third Edition, New York: W.H. Freeman and Company.

- -Levin, R.I. & Rubin, D.S (2011). *Statistics for Management*. Seventh Edition. Pearson Education, Inc.
- Spiegel, M.R.; & Stephenes, L.J. (2007). *Schaum's Outline of Statistics*. Fourth Edition, McGraw Hill Professional.

Course Title: Mathematical Methods for Economics Full Marks: 100

Code No.:ECO122.1 Pass Marks: 45
Year: First, Semester: Second Time per Period: 1 Hour

Level: B.A. Total Periods: 48

#### 1. Course Description:

This course is intended to provide mathematical methods for economic analysis. The emphasis of the course is on the application of mathematical tools in economics. The course incorporates seven units. The first unit deals with the introductory part of mathematical economics. The second unit analyzes the application of mathematical tools in partial and general market equilibriums. Likewise, the third unit deals with the application of matrices and determinants in economics. The fourth unit deals with the basic concept of functions, limits and continuity. The fifth unit discusses on the techniques of differentiation of a function/ functions of one variable and their use in economics. The sixth unit concerns with the techniques of differentiation of two or more functions of different variables and their economic application. Finally, the seventh unit deals with the techniques of integration and their application in economics.

All topics are discussed with emphasis on interpretation of mathematical results and their economic application. Case studies and current economic trends and developments are examined in Nepalese and global perspectives as far as possible.

#### 2. Course Objectives:

The general objectives of the course are as follows:

- To acquaint the students with introduction of mathematical economics.
- To help the students to use mathematical tools in the analysis of market equilibrium.
- To enable the students to employ the techniques of matrices and determinants on economics.
- To discuss functions, limits and continuity.
- To enable the students to use the techniques of the differentiation of a function/ functions of one variable in economic analysis.
- To help the students to use the techniques of the differentiation of two or more functions of different variables in economics.
- To acquaint the students with the techniques of integration and their use in economics.

Specific Objectives	Contents
• Appreciate the use of	Unit I: Introduction (2)
mathematical tools in	1.1 The Nature of Mathematical Economics
economics.	1.1.1 Mathematical Economics versus
• Distinguish mathematical	Nonmathematical
economics and econometrics.	Economics
• Identify the ingredients of an	1.1.2 Mathematical Economics versus Econometrics
economic model.	
	1.2 Economic Models
	1.2.1 Basic Concept
	1.2.2 Ingredients of a Mathematical Model: Variables,
	Constants, and Parameters; Equations and
	Identities

• Use mathematical tools to	Unit II: Equilibrium (4)
analyze partial and general	2.1 Meaning of Equilibrium
market equilibriums.	2.2 Partial Market Equilibrium: Linear and Non-linear
	Models
	2.3 General Market Equilibrium: Two-commodity Market
	Model
• Use the rules of matrix	Unit III: Matrices and Determinants
operation.	(8)
• Use matrix inverse method	3.1 Basic Concept of Matrix, and Matrix Operations
and Cramer's Rule in	3.2 Commutative, Associative and Distributive Laws of
economics.	Matrices
	3.3 Basic Concept of Determinant, and Calculation of
	Determinant using Laplace Expansion Method and
	Rule of Sarrus
	3.4Inverse Matrix and Its Calculation
	3.5 Cramer's Rule
	3.6 Application of Cramer's Rule and Matrix Inversion in
	Economics
	Unit IV: Functions, Limits and Continuity
• Discuss the types of functions.	(7)
• Explain the meaning and use	4.1Function
of limits and continuity.	4.1.1 Basic Concept
	4.1.2 Types of Functions:
	Constant Function, Linear and Non-linear
	Functions, Polynomial Function, Rational Function, Non-algebraic Function
	Tunction, Non-algebraic Function
	4.2 Concept of Limit
	4.3 Continuity of a Function
• Interpret the term derivative.	Unit V: Differentiation of a Function/ Functions of one
• Compare the techniques of	Variable; and Its use in Comparative Statics
differentiation of a	(8)
function/functions of one	5.1 Concept of Differentiation
variable; and use the	5.2 Rules of Differentiation of a Function of one Variable:
techniques in economics.	Constant-Function Rule, Power-Function Rule
1	5.3 Techniques of Differentiation Involving Two or More
	Functions of the Same Variable: Sum-Difference
	Rule,
	Product Rule, Quotient Rule
	5.4 Maxima and Minima of Functions
	5.5 Economic Application
	5.5.1 Derivation of a Marginal Function from a Total
	Function
	5.5.2 Relationship Between Marginal-Cost and
	Average-
	Cost Functions
	5.5.3 Profit Maximization
	5.5.4 Total Revenue Maximization

## • Discuss various methods of differentiation of two or more functions of different variables.

- Use the techniques of partial differentiation in economic analysis.
- Use the techniques of differentiation in constrained optimization pertaining to consumer's behavior and producer's behavior.

#### 5.5.5 Calculation of Point Elasticity

## Unit VI: Differentiation of Two or More Functions of Different Variables (11)

- 6.1 Chain Rule
- 6.2 Partial Differentiation
  - 6.2.1 Techniques of Partial Differentiation
  - 6.2.2 Euler's Theorem
- 6.2.3 Application in Economics: Derivation of the Marginal Physical Product of Labor and of Capital

Functions from Cobb-Douglas Production Function,

Equality of APP<sub>L</sub> and MPP<sub>L</sub> when MPP<sub>K</sub> = 0,

Equality of APP and  $MPP_K$  when  $MPP_L = 0$ .

- 6.3 Constrained and Unconstrained Optimizations: Basic Concept
- 6.4 Constrained Optimization
- 6.4.1 Substitution Method and its Application in the Analysis of Consumer's Behaviour and Producer's

Behaviour

6.4.2 Lagrange-Multiplier Method and its Application in

the Analysis of Consumer's Behaviour and Producer's Behaviour

- Discuss the techniques of definite and indefinite integration; and use them in economics.
- Use the techniques of definite and indefinite integration for derivation of total function from marginal function.

## **Unit VII: Economic Dynamics and Integral Calculus**(8)

- 7.1 Concept of Integration and Dynamic Analysis
- 7.2 Indefinite Integration
  - 7.2.1 Meaning of Indefinite Integration
  - 7.2.2 Techniques of Indefinite Integration
  - 7.2.3 Economic Application: Derivation of a Total Function from a Marginal Function
- 7.3 Definite Integration
  - 7.3.1 Meaning of Definite Integration
  - 7.3.2 Techniques of Definite Integration
- 7.3.3 Economic Application: Derivation of a Total Function from a Marginal Function

*Note:* The figures in the parentheses indicate the approximate periods for the respective units.

#### 4. Prescribed Books:

• Chiang, A.C. & Wainwright, K. (2005). Fundamental Methods of Mathematical Economics, Sixth edition, Singapore: McGraw Hill Companies.

- Allen, R.G.D. (2000). Mathematical Analysis for Economists, New Delhi: McMillan.
- Renshaw, G. (2000). *Maths for Economics*, Second Edition, New York: Oxford University Press Inc.

Course Title: Microeconomics

Course No.: ECO 231
Nature of the Course: *Theory* 

Year: Second, Semester: Third

Level: B.A.

Full Marks: 100
Pass Marks: 45
Periods per Week: 3
Time per Period: 1 Hour

Total Periods: 48

#### 1. Course Description:

This course is to acquaint the students with microeconomic theory. The course emphasises the application of microeconomic theories in economic life. The course persuade students to 'think like an economist'. The course incorporates five units. The first unit deals with the elasticity of demand and supply. The second unit analyzes market control by government and economic welfare. Likewise, the third unit deals with consumer surplus, producer surplus, and market efficiency. The fourth unit deals with theory of production. Finally, the fifth unit deals with market structure and pricing.

All topics are /will be discussed with emphasis on real-world application. Graphical and mathematical illustration is / will be added to internalize the subject matters. Case studies and current economic trends and development are examined in Nepalese and global perspectives.

#### 2. Course Objectives:

The general objectives of the course are as follows:

- To acquaint the students with basic concept of economic development.
- To enable the students to analyze impact of market control by government and economic welfare.
- To discuss market efficiency.
- To enable the students to analyze production functions.
- To enable the students to analyze various type of market structure.

<b>Specific Objectives</b>	Contents
<ul> <li>Explain the determinants of price elasticity of demand.</li> <li>Ananyze total revenue method graphically and mathematically.</li> <li>Discuss income elasticity and cross-elasticity of demand.</li> <li>Examine the determinants of price elasticity of supply.</li> <li>Analyze the application of elasticity of demand and supply.</li> </ul>	Unit I: Elasticity of Demand and supply (10)  1.1 Elasticity of Demand  1.1.1 Price Elasticity of Demand and its Determinants  1.1.2 Price Elasticity of Demand and Total Revenue  Method: Graphical and Mathematical Analysis  1.1.3 Applications of Price Elasticity of Demand.  1.1.4 Income Elasticity of Demand and its applications  1.1.5 Cross-Elasticity of Demand and its applications  1.2: Elasticity of Supply  1.2 Price Elasticity of Supply and its Determinants  1.2.2 Applications of Price Elasticity of Supply.
<ul> <li>Assess the implications of price control by Government.</li> <li>Discuss the effect of Taxation on the economy.</li> <li>Illustrate and explain the impact of Imports Quota on market Outcomes.</li> </ul>	Unit II: Market control by Government and Economic Welfare (12) 2.1 Ceiling Price 2.1.1 Binding ceiling Price 2.1.2 Nom- binding Ceiling Price 2.1.3 Ceiling Price and Economic Welfare. 2.2 Floor Price: 2.2.1 Binding Floor Price

Assess the effect of Tariff on Market Outcomes.      Explain and Analyze Consumer Surplus Graphically and Mathematically     Illustrate the concept of Producer Surplus Graphically and Mathematically     Discuss and Analyze the Market Efficiency	<ul> <li>2.2.2 Non-Binding Floor Price</li> <li>2.2.3 Floor Price and Economic Welfare</li> <li>2.3 Taxes: Effect of Taxation (On buyers: Sellers) on Market outcomes; Deadweight loss.</li> <li>2.4 Import Quota: Effect of Import Quota on Market Outcomes.</li> <li>2.5 Tariff: Effect of Tariff on Market Outcomes.</li> <li>Unit III: Consumers Surplus, Producer Surplus and Market Efficiency (10)</li> <li>3.1 Consumers Surplus</li> <li>3.1.2 Measurement of Consumer Surplus: Graphically and Mathematically</li> <li>3.1.3 Effect of change in price on consumer surplus</li> <li>3.2 Producer surplus</li> <li>3.2.1 Basic concept of Producer surplus: Graphically and Mathematically</li> <li>3.2.2 Measurement of producer surplus: Graphically and Mathematically</li> <li>3.2.3 Effect of change in price on producer surplus</li> <li>3.3 Market Efficiency</li> <li>3.3.1 Meaning of Market Efficiency</li> <li>3.2.2 Market Equilibrium and Market Efficiency</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Discuss short-run and long-run Production Function.</li> <li>Analyze Cobb-Douglas Production Function.</li> <li>Identify the Type of Returns to scale from given Cobb-Douglas Production Function.</li> </ul>	Unit IV: Production Theory(4) 4.1 Production Function: Difference between short-run and log-run Production Function 4.2 Cobb-Douglas Function and Returns to Scale: Output Elasticity of Labour, Output Elasticity of Capital Identification of Type of Returns to scale
<ul> <li>Make a distinction between Perfect Competition and Monopoly</li> <li>Explain the Government created Monopolies</li> <li>Discuss Natural monopolies</li> <li>Analyze the welfare cost of monopoly.</li> <li>Explain the preliminary Ideas on Game Theory.</li> <li>Explain the Essence of price discrimination</li> <li>Analyze the classification of the price discrimination.</li> </ul>	Unit V: Market Structures and Pricing (12) 5.1 Perfect Competition Vs Monopoly 5.2 Government created monopolies 5.3 Natural monopolies 5.4 The Welfare cost of monopoly 5.5 Game theory and Oligopolistic Behaviour 5.5.1 Meaning of Game theory, Players, Strategies, Payoffs and Payoff Matrix 5.5.2 Objectives and Usefulness of Game Theory 5.5.3 Dominant Strategy 5.5.4 Mass Equilibrium 5.6 Price Discrimination 5.6.1 Meaning and Prerequisites of price Discrimination 5.6.2 Types of Price Discrimination: First-Degree, Second-Degree, and Third-Degree Price Discrimination

*Note: (i)* The figures in the parentheses indicate the approximate periods for the respective units.

(ii) Total periods (50 Hrs) in include the time required for class room teaching (45 Hrs) mid term examination (2 Hrs) and end terminal examination (3 Hrs)

Full Marks: 100

Pass Marks: 45

Course Title: Macroeconomics

Code No.: ECO 232

Year: First, Semester: Third Time per Period: 1 Hour Total Periods: 48

Level: B.A.

#### 1. Course Description:

This course is intended on the basis of the first semester course, Introductory Microeconomics, to pave the way for advanced macroeconomics. The course covers theoretical and empirical contents on macroeconomics. The course encourages students to analyze national and regional and world economy analytically. The course incorporates seven units. The first unit deals with J.M. Keynes' contribution to economics. The second unit analyzes the unemployment and inflation. Likewise the third unit deals with the economic production and growth. The fourth unit deals with open economy macroeconomics. The fifth unit introduces international financial institutions. The sixth unit concerns with the theories of international trade and economic integration. Finally, the seventh unit deals with globalization, liberalization and privatization.

All topics are discussed with emphasis on real-world application. Case studies and current economic trends and developments are examined in Nepalese and global perspectives.

#### 2. Course Objectives:

The general objectives of the course are as follows:

- To acquaint the students with the contribution of J.M. Keynes to economics.
- To help the students to analyze the issues on unemployment and inflation.
- To enable the students to discuss growth related issues.
- To enable the students to discuss on the exchange rate regimes and balance of payments.
- To introduce the students to the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund.
- To acquaint the students with theories of international trade, and economic integration.
- To help the students to analyze the concept of globalization, Liberalization and Privatization.

Specific Objectives	Contents
<ul> <li>Discuss the ways on the thinking like an economist,</li> <li>Analyze the Keynes' contribution to macroeconomics.</li> </ul>	Unit I: Introduction (3)  1.1 Thinking like an economist. 1.2 J.M. Keynes' and the General Theory of Employment Interest and Money.
<ul> <li>Discuss the relation between unemployment rate and inflation rate in long-run.</li> <li>Analyze the cost of inflations of Phillip curve.</li> <li>Help the students to discuss the dynamics of inflation in Nepal. Discuss the circular flow of income and expenditure in closed and open economies.</li> </ul>	Unit II: Unemployment and Inflation (5)  2.1 Long-run Phillip Curve  2.2 Cost of Inflation in the Economy  2.3 Voucher Disinflation  2.4 Greek span Era  2.5 Hyper inflation: Historical case of Germany and Zimbabwe  2.6 Dynamics of Inflation in Nepal: Comparison with India and USA

**Unit III: Production and Growth**  Discuss the determinants of3.1 Economic Growth and the World productivity. 3.2 Productivity: role and Determinant Assess the public policies 3.3 Sources of Economic Growth regarding to economic growth 3.4 Economic Growth and Public Policy and living standards of emerging 3.5 Emerging Economies: Economic scenarios ... economics Russia' China, India, South Africa Miracle of • ..... economic Development of Chinese Economy, Capitalist Movement of China. China 3.6 ......GDP(PPP), Per Capita GDP, Growth rate • Familiarize with the Singaporean Export and Imports of Largest Three Economies in economy the World • Explain and Analyze Donar 3.7 Shift in IS and LM Curves Model. 3.8 Singapore: A Successful story of Development 3.9 Donar Model. • Discuss the Balance. **Unit IV: Open Economy Macroeconomics (9)** • Explain net capital outflow. 4.1 The International Flow of Goods • Analyze the relation of saving, 4.2 The International Flow of Financial Resources investment and net capital outflow Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) and Foreign • Compare nominal exchange rate Portfolio and real exchange rate. Investment, Net Capital Outflow (NCO) Assess purchasing power parity as the first approximation of 4.3 Relation of Saving, Investment and NCO foreign exchange rate. 4.4 Top Ten Countries on the basis of FDI • Discuss the components balance of payments. 4.5 Foreign Debt of USA • Compare the trade balance and 4.6 National Exchange Rate and Real Exchange Rate balance of payments of Nepal. Purchasing Power Parity: Basic Concept, **Implications** and Limitations 4.8 Exchange Rate Regimes 4.9 Balance of Payments: Basic Concept and Components. 4.10 Comparison of Balance of Trade and balance of Payment of Nepal. **Unit V: International Financial Institutions** (3) Discuss objective and roles 5.1 World Bank (WB) Objectives and Role World Bank and 5.2 International Monetary Fund (INF): Objectives and International Monetary Fund Role 5.3 World Bank, IMF and Nepal Unit VI: Theories on International Trade and Economic **Integration (8)** Assess comparative cost 6.1 Comparative Cost Theory of International Trade theory of international 6.2 Gravity Model of International Trade trade. 6.3 Free Trade vs. Protectionism Analyze gravity model of 6.4 SAFTA: Objectives and Achievements International trade. 6.5 ASEAN: Objectives and Roles Explain and assess the 6.6 NAFTA: Objectives and Roles objectives, role and ..... 6.7 EU: Objectives and Roles, Effect of Common SAFTA, ASEAN,

NAFTA and EU	Currency
• Discuss the means of	Unit VII: Globalization, Liberalization and Privatization(4)
globalization.	7.1 Pros and cons of Globalization
Analyze and impact of	7.2 Means of Globalization, Liberalization and
privatization in Nepal.	Privatization
	7.3 Impacts of Privatization: A case of Nepal.

*Note:* The figures in the parentheses indicate the approximate periods for the respective units.

#### 4. Prescribed Books:

#### **Text Books**

- Dwivedi, D.N. (2010). *Macroeconomics: Theory and Policy*, Third Edition, Delhi: Tata McGraw Hill Education Private Limited. [for units I, VIII & XI]
- Jhingan, M.L. (2010). *Macroeconomic Theory*, Twelfth Edition, Delhi: Vrinda Publications (P) Ltd. [for units I, II, III, V, VI,VII, VIII, IX & X]
- Mankiw, N.G. (2011). *Principles of Macroeconomics*, Sixth Edition, USA: Southwestern College Publications. [for unit IV]

- Bueda & Wyplosz (2009). *Macroeconomics: A European Text*, Fifth Edition, New York: Oxford University Press.
- Lipsey & Chrystal (2011). *Economics, Twelfth Edition*, New York: Oxford University Press.
- Shapiro, E. (2010). *Macroeconomic Analysis*, Fifth Edition, New Delhi: Galgotia Publication.

Full Marks: 100

Pass Marks: 45

Periods per Week: 3

Course Title: Development Economics I

Course No.: ECO 241
Nature of the Course: *Theory*Year: Second, Semester: Fourth

Year: Second, Semester: Fourth
Level: B.A.
Time per Period: 1 Hour
Total Periods: 48

#### 1. Course Description:

This course is intended to provide an introduction to the basic concept of development. The course will focus on the historical perspectives and determinants of development. Emphases are placed on comparative economic development. The course incorporates five units. The first unit deals with the basic concept of economic development. The second unit discusses the comparative economic development. Likewise, the third unit deals with classical theories of economic growth and development. The fourth unit deals with poverty, inequality and development. Finally, the fifth unit analyzes various issues on population growth and economic development.

All topics are discussed with emphasis on real-world application. Case studies and trends of economic development are examined in Nepalese and global perspectives as far as possible.

#### 2. Course Objectives:

The general objectives of the course are as follows:

- To acquaint the students with basic concept of economic development.
- To help the students to compare and analyze the economic development of developed and developing countries.
- To enable the students to discuss classical theories of economic growth and development.
- To discuss various issues on poverty, inequality and development.
- To acquaint the students with population growth and economic development.

5. Specific Objectives and Contents.	
Specific Objectives	Contents
• Explain the nature of	<u> </u>
development economics.	1.1 The Nature of Development Economics
• Appreciate the need for	1.2 Need for Development Economics
Development Economics.	1.3 Measuring Economic Development: Traditional
• Discuss various measures of	Economic Measures of Economic Development, The
economic development.	New Economic View of Development, Amartya Sen's
• Mention the millennium	"Capability" Approach, Development and Happiness
development goals.	1.4 The Millennium Development Goals
and the first grants	
• Discuss the indicators of	Unit II: Comparative Economic development (16)
economic development.	2.6 Defining the Developing World
• Discuss the features of	2.2 Basic Indicators of Development: Real Income,
developing countries.	Health,
• Compare the current scenario	and Education, Purchasing Power Parity, Indicators of
of developing countries with	Health and Education
the scenario of developed	2.3 Holistic Measures of Living Levels and Capabilities:
countries when they were in	Human Development Index (HDI), New Human
developing phase.	Development Index (NHDI)
	2.4 Characteristics of the Developing World: Diversity

- Compare the living standards of people in developed and developing countries.
- Analyze the long-run causes of comparative development.

within Commonality, Lower Levels of Living and Productivity, Lower Levels of Human Capital, Higher Levels of Inequality and Absolute Poverty, Higher Population Growth Rates, Greater Social Fractionalization, Larger Rural Populations but Rapid Rural-to-Urban Migration, Lower Levels of Industrialization and Manufactured Exports, Adverse Geography, Underdeveloped Markets, Lingering Colonial Impacts and Unequal International Relations

2.5 How Low-Income Countries Today Differ from Developed Countries in Their Earlier Stages?: Physical and Human Resource Endowments, Relative Levels of Per Capita Income and GDP, Climatic Differences, Population Size, Distribution, and Growth, The

Historical

Role of International Migration, The Growth Stimulus of

International Trade, Basic Scientific and Technological Research and Development Capabilities, Efficacy of Domestic Institutions

- 2.6 Are Living Standards of Developing and Developed Nations Converging?
- 2.7 Long-Run Causes of Comparative Development
- Discuss the Rostow's stages of economic growth.
- Explain and analyze the Harrod-Domar Growth Model.
- Analyze the applicability of the Lewis Theory of Development.
- Measure and analyze inequality using Lorenz curve and the Gini coefficient.
- Discuss the concept of absolute poverty.
- Explain the concept of multidimensional poverty index.
- Discuss growth and inequality.
- Analyze growth and poverty.
- Discuss the characteristics of high-poverty groups.
- Discuss the policies to deal with inequality and poverty.

## **Unit III: Classic Theories of Economic Growth and Development (4)**

- 3.1 Rostow's Stages of Growth
- 3.2 The Harrod-Domar Growth Model
- 3.3 The Lewis Theory of Development

#### Unit IV: Poverty, Inequality, and Development (13)

- 4.1 Measuring Inequality: Lorenz Curve and Gini Coefficient
- 4.2 Measuring Absolute Poverty
- 4.3 Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI)
- 4.4 Growth and Inequality
- 4.5 Growth and Poverty
- 4.6 Economic Characteristics of High-Poverty Groups: Rural

Poverty, Women and Poverty, Ethnic Minorities, Indigenous Populations, and Poverty

4.7 Policy Options on Income Inequality and Poverty: Areas

of Intervention, Altering the Functional Distribution of Income through Relative Factor Prices, Modifying the Size Distribution through Increasing Assets of the Poor,

Progressive Income and Wealth Taxes, Direct Transfer Payments and the Public Provision of Goods and Services

- Explore the linkage between population growth and the quality of life.
- Analyze the historical data of world- population growth.
- Explain demographic transition.
- Discuss Malthusian population trap as a consequence of high population growth.
- Discuss the controversial perspectives on consequences of high fertility rate.
- Analyze the policy approaches of developing and developed countries regarding to population growth and economic development.

## **Unit V: Population Growth and Economic Development (9)**

- 5.1 Population Growth and the Quality of Life
- 5.2 World Population Growth throughout History
- 5.3 The Demographic Transition
- 5.4 The Malthusian Population Trap
- 5.5 Conflicting Perspectives on Consequences of High Fertility
- 5.6 Some Policy Approaches: What Developing Countries Can Do, What the Developed Countries Can Do, How Developed Countries Can Help Developing Countries with Their Population Programs

*Note*: The figures in the parentheses indicate the approximate periods for the respective units.

#### 4. Prescribed Books:

#### **Text Book**

• Todaro, M.P.; & Smith, S.C. (2010). *Economic Development*, Eleventh Edition: Pearson Publication.

- Ray, Debraj. (2007). *Development Economics*, Twelfth Edition, London: Oxford University Press.
- Journals of Economic Development
- World Development Reports and Human Development Reports
- Websites

Course Title: Basic Econometrics

Course No.: ECO 242 Nature of the Course: Theory Year: Second, Semester: Fourth

Level: B.A.

Periods per Week: 3 Time per Period: 1 Hour Total Periods: 50

Full Marks: 100

Pass Marks: 45

#### 1. Course Description:

This course is intended to provide an introduction to the theory and applications of econometrics. Econometrics is the art and science of the testing economic models. The course will focus on the methods for analyzing data in Economics. Emphases are placed on regression analysis. The course incorporates seven units. The first unit deals with the nature of econometrics and economic data. The second unit discusses the concept of random variables and normal distribution. Likewise, the third unit deals with the covariance, variance and correlation. The fourth unit deals with the simple regression analysis. The fifth unit discusses on the multiple regression analysis. The sixth unit concerns with the transformations of variables, and regression analysis. Finally, the seventh unit introduces dummy variables.

All topics are discussed with emphasis on interpretation of econometric results and their economic application. Case studies and current economic trends and developments are examined in Nepalese and global perspectives as far as possible. Students are assumed to be familiar with elementary statistics, and are expected to learn and use statistical software in the course.

#### 2. Course Objectives:

The general objectives of the course are as follows:

- To acquaint the students with introduction of econometrics and economic data.
- To help the students to conceptualize random variables and normal distribution.
- To enable the students to discuss covariance, variance and correlation.
- To discuss simple regression analysis.
- To enable the students to analyze multiple regression analysis.
- To help the students to use logarithms for transformation of variables.
- To acquaint the students with the dummy variables in economic analysis.

Specific Objectives	Contents
<ul> <li>Explain the meaning of econometrics.</li> <li>Discuss the methodology of econometrics.</li> <li>Analyze the types of economic data.</li> </ul>	Unit I: The Nature of Econometrics and Economic Data  (5)  1.1 Meaning of Econometrics 1.2 Methodology of Econometrics 1.3 Types of Data 1.3.1 Time Series Data 1.3.2 Cross Section Data
• Explore the sources of data.	<ul><li>1.3.2 Cross-Section Data</li><li>1.3.3 Pooled Data</li><li>1.4 Sources of Economic Data</li></ul>
• Explain the concept of	Unit II: Random Variables and Probability
random variables.	Distributions (5)
• Analyze normal distribution.	2.1 Random Variable

	2.1.1 Meaning of Random Variable
	2.1.2 Types of Random Variables: Discrete
	and Continuous Random Variables
	2.2 Probability Distributions
	2.2.1 Meaning of Probability Distribution
	2.2.2 Normal Distribution
• Explain the concept of	
	3.1 Sample Covariance
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correlation.	3.1.1 Meaning of Sample Covariance
• Discuss the basic rules of	3.1.2 Basic Rules of Sample Covariance
covariance and variance.	3.2 Population Covariance
	3.3 Sample Variance
	3.3.1 Meaning of Sample Variance
	3.3.2 Basic Rules of Sample Variance (without
	proof)
	3.4 Population Variance
	3.5 Correlation in terms of Variance and Covariance
• Analyze the simple linear	Unit IV: Simple Regression Analysis (12)
model.	4.1 The Simple Linear Model
• Explain the concept and	4.2 Stochastic Error Term
significance of stochastic	4.2.1 Concept of Stochastic Error
	4.2.2 Significance of Stochastic Error term
error term.	_
• Use ordinary least squares	4.3 The Ordinary Least Squares Method (OLS)
method in regression analysis.	4.3.1 Basic Concept of OLS
• Explain the assumptions	4.3.2 Assumptions underlying OLS
underlying ordinary least	4.4 Interpretation of a Linear Regression Equation
squares method.	4.5 Goodness of Fit $(R^2)$
• Interpret linear regression	
equation.	
• Explain the concept of	
goodness of fit.	
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• Explain the concept of	1 0 1
multiple regression analysis.	5.1 Basic Concept of Multiple Regression Analysis
• Interpret multiple regression	5.2 Interpretation of Multiple Regression Coefficient
coefficients.	
	Unit VI: Transformations of Variables; and Regression
• Distinguish linear and non-	Analysis (5)
linear relationships.	6.1 Difference between Linear and Non-linear
• Analyze the significance of	Relationships
non-linear relationship.	6.2 Significance of Non-linear Relationship
• Analyze log-linear regression	6.3 Regression Analysis of Log-linear Model
model.	200 200 200 200 200 200 200 200 200 200
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•Explain the concept of	•
dummy variables.	7.1 Basic Concept of Dummy Variables
• Analyze the need for dummy	7.2 Need for Dummy Variables
variables in economic	7.3 Dummy Variable Trap
analysis.	
• Explain dummy variable trap.	
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*Note:* The figures in the parentheses indicate the approximate periods for the respective units.

#### 3. Prescribed Books:

#### **Text Book**

- Gujarati, D.N. & Sangeetha. (2007). *Basic Econometric*, Fourth edition, New Delhi: The McGraw Hill Companies.
- Dougherty, C. (2011). *Introduction to Econometrics*. Fourth edition: Oxford University Press.

#### Reference

• Wooldbridge, J.M. (2013). *Introductory Econometric: A Modern Approach*, Fifth edition: South-western College Publications.

Full Marks: 100

Periods per Week: 3

Pass Marks: 45

Course Title: Development Economics II

Course No.: ECO 351 Nature of the Course: Theory Year: Second, Semester: Fifth Time per Period: 1 Hour

Level: B.A. Total Periods: 48

#### 1. Course Description:

This course aims to acquaint the students with various dimensions of development economics. Emphases are placed on relations of human capital and rural-urban migration with economic development. The course incorporates six units. The first unit deals with contemporary models of development and underdevelopment. The second unit discusses the urbanization and rural-urban migration. Likewise, the third unit deals with the need for human capital for economic development. The fourth unit deals with agricultural transformation and rural development. The fifth unit discusses the environment and economic development. Finally, the sixth unit analyzes development planning.

All topics are discussed with emphasis on real-world application. Case studies and trends of economic development are examined in Nepalese and global perspectives as far as possible.

#### 2. Course Objectives:

The general objectives of the course are as follows:

- To acquaint the students with contemporary models of development and underdevelopment.
- To help the students to analyze urbanization and rural-urban migration.
- To enable the students to discuss the role of education and health on economic development.
- To acquaint the students with agricultural transformation and economic development.
- To discuss various issues of environment and economic development.
- To acquaint the students with development planning.

5. Specific Objectives and Contents:		
Specific Objectives	Contents	
<ul> <li>Explain the underdevelopment as a coordination failure.</li> <li>Appreciate the need for Development Economics.</li> <li>Discuss the Big Push Model.</li> <li>Analyze the O-Ring Model.</li> </ul>	Unit I: Contemporary Models of Development and Underdevelopment (8)  1.1 Underdevelopment as a Coordination Failure 1.2 Multiple Equilibria: A Diagrammatic Approach 1.3 Big Push Theory 1.4 The O-Ring Model	
<ul> <li>Discuss the migration and urbanization dilemma.</li> <li>Discuss the role of cities for economic development.</li> <li>Analyze the urban giantism problem.</li> <li>Discuss urban informal sector.</li> <li>Explain migration and development.</li> <li>Analyze economic theory of rural-urban migration.</li> </ul>	Unit II: Urbanization and Rural-Urban Migration: Theory and Policy (12) 2.7 The Migration and Urbanization Dilemma 2.8 The Role of Cities 2.9 The Urban Giantism Problem 2.10 The Urban Informal Sector 2.11 Migration and Development 2.12 Toward an Economic Theory of Rural-Urban Migration	

<ul> <li>Discuss the central roles of education and health.</li> <li>Explain the human capital approach.</li> <li>Analyze the issues of child labor.</li> <li>Analyze the discrimination in education and health.</li> <li>Discuss the relation of education with inequality and poverty.</li> <li>Discuss the issues on education, internal migration and brain drain.</li> </ul>	Unit III: Human Capital: Education and Health in Economic Development (12) 3.1 The Central Roles of Education and Health 3.2 Investing in Education and Health: The Human Capital Approach 3.3 Child Labor 3.4 The Gender Gap: Discrimination in Education and Health 3.5 Education, Inequality and Poverty 3.6 Education, Internal Migration and Brain Drain
• Explain the imperative of	Unit IV: Agricultural Transformation and Rural
agricultural progress and rural development.  • Analyze the structure of agrarian systems in developing countries.	Development (4) 4.1 The Imperative of Agricultural Progress and Rural Development 4.2 The Structure of Agrarian Systems in the developing World
<ul> <li>Discuss various issues of environment and development.</li> <li>Analyze the rural development and the environment.</li> <li>Discuss the scope, mitigation and adaptation of global warming and climate change.</li> <li>Explore the policy options in developing and developed countries.</li> </ul>	Unit V: The Environment and Development (9) 5.1 Basic Issues of Environment and Development: Economics and the Environment, Sustainable Development and Environmental Accounting, Population, Resources, and the Environment, Poverty and the Environment, Growth versus the Environment, Rural Development and the Environment, Urban Development and the Environment, The Global Environment and Economy, The Nature and Pace of Greenhouse Gas—Induced Climate Change, Natural Resource—Based Livelihoods as a Pathway out of Poverty: Promise and Limitations, The Scope of Domestic-Origin Environmental Degradation: An Overview 5.2 Rural Development and the Environment: A Tale of Two Villages 5.3 Global Warming and Climate Change: Scope, Mitigation, and Adaptation 5.4 Policy Options in Developing and Developed Countries
<ul> <li>Explain the concept of development planning.</li> <li>Discuss the stages of development planning.</li> <li>Analyze the Washington Consensus.</li> </ul>	Unit VI: Development Planning (3) 6.1 Concept and nature of Planning, Planning in Mixed developing Countries, Rationale for Development 6.2 Three Stages of Development Planning 6.3 Washington Consensus

Consensus.

Note: The figures in the parentheses indicate the approximate periods for the respective units.

#### 4. Prescribed Books:

#### **Text Book**

• Todaro, M.P.; & Smith, S.C. (2010). *Economic Development*, Eleventh Edition: Pearson Publication.

- Ray, Debraj. (2007). *Development Economics*, Twelfth Edition, London: Oxford University Press.
- Journals of Economic Development
- World Development Reports and Human Development Reports
- Websites

Full Marks: 100

Periods per Week: ....

Pass Marks: 45

Course Title: History of Economic Thought

Course No.: ECO 352 Nature of the Course: Theory Year: Third, Semester: Fifth

Year: Third, Semester: Fifth
Level: B.A.
Time per Period: 1 Hour
Total Periods: 48

#### 1. Course Description

This course is intended to investigate various perspectives that have influenced economic thought. It incorporates the contributions to the development and evolution of economic thought in different periods and places. The course also aims to evaluate some of the major contributions to the theory of value, the theory of production, and the theory of distribution. The course encourages students to analyze how economic thoughts have been developed historically. The course incorporates nine units. The first unit deals with the early economic history. The second unit analyzes mercantilism and nationalism. Likewise, the third unit deals with major contributions on political economy. The fourth unit deals with the economic views emerged during classical period. The fifth unit discusses the major contributions of neo-classical economists/scholars. The sixth unit concerns with Austrian School. Likewise, the seventh unit deals with Keynesian view. The eighth unit concerns with Chicago school. Finally, the ninth unit deals with the views on globalization and globalization.

All topics are discussed with emphasis on real-world application. Case studies and current economic trends and developments are examined in Nepalese and global perspectives.

#### 2. Course Objectives

The general objectives of the course are as follows:

- To acquaint the students with early economic thought.
- To help the students to analyze mercantilism and nationalism.
- To enable the students to analyze the concept of political economy.
- To discuss the economic views emerged in classical period.
- To enable the students to analyze economic views of neo-classical period.
- To enable the students to familiarize with Austrian school.
- To introduce the students to Keynesianism.
- To acquaint the students with monetarism.
- To enable the students to analyze welfare economics.

Specific Objectives	Contents
• Realize the need for study of History of	Unit I: Early Economic Thought (6)
Economic Thought.	
• Explain the contribution of Chanakya on	1.1 Importance of History of Economic Thought
Economics.	1.2 Chanakya's Arthasastra
• Analyze the views of Plato and Aristotle.	1.3 Plato and Aristotle
• Describe the Roman Empire and Christianity.	1.4 Roman Empire and Christianity
• Explain the economic thoughts of middle ages.	<b>1.5</b> Middle ages: Thomas Aquinas (1225–74)
- Explain the economic thoughts of initial ages.	and Duns Scotus
• Explain scholasticism.	Unit II: Mercantilism and Nationalism (6)
Analyze bullionism.	2.1 Scholasticism
• Discuss the basic concepts of mercantilism	2.2 Bullionism
and nationalism.	2.3 Mercantilism and Nationalism
	2.4 Thomus Mun

• Explain the contribution of Thomus Mun.	
Explain the meaning of political philosophy.	Unit III: Political Economy (4)
• Analyze the thoughts of Locke and Hume.	3.1 Political philosophy
• Discuss the views of physiocrats.	3.2 Locke and Hume
2 is that the views of physicolaus.	3.3 Physiocrats
• Appreciate the contribution of Adam Smith.	Unit IV: Modern Era 1: Classical Period (4)
• Explain Malthusian theory of population.	4.1 Adam Smith
• Compare and contrast the views of J.B. Say,	4.2 Thomas Malthus: Theory of population
David Ricardo and J.S. Mill.	4.3 J B Say
	4.4 David Ricardo
	4.5 J.S Mill
• Discuss the views of Leon Walras.	Unit V: Modern Era 2: Neo-classical Period,
• Explain the contribution of Carl Menger.	Marginalism and Mathematics (8)
• Analyze the thought of Stanely Jevons.	5.1 Leon Walras
• Discuss the views of Alfred Marshall.	5.2 Carl Menger
	5.3 Stanely Jevons
	5.4 Alfred Marshall
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• Explain the contribution of Joseph Alois	Unit VI: Austrian School (4)
Schumpeter.	6.1 Joseph Alois Schumpeter
• Discuss the views of Ludwig von Mises.	6.2 Ludwig von Mises
Discuss and analyze Hayek's views.	6.3 Friedrich Hayek
Discuss the theme of the General Theory.	Unit VII: Keynesianism (8)
• Explain the Sameulson's view.	7.1 The general theory
Analyze the views of Haavelmo and	7.2 J.M. Keynes
Tinbergen.	7.3 Paul Samuelson
	7.4 Haavelmo and Tinbergen:
	Econometrics
Appreciate the contribution of Friedman.	Unit VIII: Chicago School and Monetarism
• Explain libertarianism.	(4)
	8.1 Friedman
	8.2 Libertarianism
• Explain the views of Simon Kuznets.	Unit IX: Globalization and Welfare
Appreciate the contribution of Amartya	Economics (4)
Sen.	9.1 Simon Kuznets
• Discuss the views of Krugman.	9.2 Amartya Sen
	9.3 Paul Krugman

*Note: (i) The figures in the parentheses indicate the approximate periods for the respective units.* 

(ii) Total periods (50 Hrs) include the time required for class-room teaching (45 Hrs), Mid-term examination (2 Hrs) and End-term examination (3 Hrs).

## 4. Prescribed Books and References Prescribed Books

- Schumpeter, J.A. (1986). *History of Economic Analysis*, New York: Oxford University Press. **References**
- Roll, E. (1992). A History of Economic Thought, Fifth Edition: London: Faber & Faber Ltd.
- Bhatia, H.L. (2014). *History of Economic Thought, Fourth Edition*, New Delhi: Vikas Publishing House.
- Paul, R.R. History of Economic Thought, Sixth Edition, New Delhi: Kalyani Publishers.

Course Title: **Banking, Money and Financial Institutions**Full Marks: 100

Pass Marks: 45

Nature of the Course: Theory

Periods per Week: ....

Year: Third, Semester: Sixth

Time per Period: 1 Hour

Level: B.A.

Credits: 3 Total Periods: 48

#### 1. Course Description

This course is designed to provide a detail understanding on banking, money and financial market. Scope and importance of banking, money and financial institutions are being expanding day by day. The course aims to discuss on the issues regarding money, banking and financial institutions. The course encourages students to analyze how financial institutions plays role in an economy. The course incorporates eight units. The first unit deals with introduction to money. The second unit highlights interest rate. Likewise, the third unit deals with credit and financial system. The fourth unit deals with the types of financial markets. The fifth unit discusses the role and functions of banks. The sixth unit concerns with inflation related issues. Likewise, the seventh unit deals with role of International Monetary Fund. Finally, the eighth unit deals with the monetary theories.

All topics are discussed with emphasis on real-world application. Case studies and current economic trends and developments are examined in Nepalese and global perspectives.

#### 2. Course Objectives

The general objectives of the course are as follows:

- To acquaint the students with money.
- To help the students to analyze interest rate.
- To enable the students to analyze the role of financial institutions.
- To discuss various financial markets.
- To enable the students to analyze the role and functions of central bank and other banks
- To enable the students to familiarize with inflation related issues.
- To introduce the students to International Monetary Fund.
- To acquaint the students with monetary theories.

Specific Objectives	Contents
• Explain the meaning of money.	Unit I: Introduction of Money (6)
• Discuss the functions of money.	
• Analyze the origin and importance of	1.6 Meaning of Money
payment systems.	1.7 Functions of Money
• Discuss types of money.	1.8 The Payments System
31	1.9 Kinds of Money
• Explain interest rate.	Unit II: Interest Rates (3)
• Compare nominal and real interest rate.	2.1 Measuring Interest Rates
Analyze loanable fund theory.	2.2 Nominal Interest Rates and Real Interest
	Rates
	2.3 Loanable Fund Theory
	Unit III: Credit and Financial System (7)
• Explain the meaning of credit	3.1 Meaning of Credit
Analyze the role of financial system.	3.2 Meaning of Financial System

Discuss the kinds of credit.	3.3 1 maneral intermediaties
	3.4 Role of Financial System
	3.5 Kinds of Credit
• Explain the structure of financial market.	Unit IV Financial Markets (6)
<ul> <li>Appreciate the role of financial market.</li> <li>Describe call money market.</li> <li>Explain treasury bill market.</li> <li>Analyze commercial bill market.</li> <li>Analyze stock market.</li> </ul>	4.6 Introduction 4.7 Structure of Financial Market 4.8 Call Money Market 4.9 Treasury Bill Market 4.10 Commercial Bill Market 4.11 Stock Market
• Appreciate the role of central bank.	Unit V: Banking (9)
• Discuss the regimes of exchange rate.	5.1 Role of Central Bank
• Explain the structure and role of Central	5.2 Functions of Nepal Rastra Bank
Bank of America.	5.3 Exchange Rate
• Describe the objectives and tools of	5 4 F 1 4 B G 1 4 B 1
monetary policy.	5.5 Monetary Policy: Objectives and Tools
• Overview the current monetary policy of	TO COLUMN THE CALL A
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• Describe the role of development banks	5.7 Development Banks: Meaning and Role
and other financial institutions.	5.8 Other Financial Institutions: Role
	Unit VI. Manay and Inflation (2)
• Compare demand-pull inflation and cost-	Unit VI: Money and Inflation (3)
push inflation.	6.1 Demand-pull Inflation and Cost-push Inflation
• Discuss on short-run Phillips curve.	
• Analyze the applicability of long-run	6.2 Phillips Curve: Long-run and Short-run
Phillips curve.	
• Explain the origin of IMF.	Unit VII: International Monetary Fund (IMF) (4)
• Discuss the role of IMF.	7.1 Origin of IMF
	7.2 Role of IMF
• Analyze the Quantity Theory of Money.	Unit VIII: Monetary Theory (7)
• Explain the Liquidity Preference Theory.	8.1 Quantity Theory
• Discuss the Friedman's monetary policy.	8.2 Keynes Liquidity Preference Theory
• Compare Keynesian monetary theory with	8.3 Friedman's Monetary Theory
Friedman's monetary theory.	8.4 Comparison of Keynes Liquidity Theory
	and
	Friedman's Monetary Theory
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3.3 Financial Intermediaries

*Note: (i) The figures in the parentheses indicate the approximate periods for the respective units.* 

(ii) Total periods (50 Hrs) include the time required for class-room teaching (45 Hrs), Mid-term examination (2 Hrs) and End-term examination (3 Hrs).

#### 4. Prescribed Books and References

• Discuss the kinds of credit.

#### **Prescribed Books**

• Gupta, S.B. (2008). *Monetary Economics: Institutions, Theory and Policy*, New Delhi: S. Chand & Company Pvt. Ltd.

- Jones, C. (2008). Financial Economics, Indian Edition, New York: Routledge.
- Current Monetary Policy of Nepal.
- Websites: Federal Reserve, IMF, NRB and Reserve Bank of India.

Course Title: **Nepalese Economy**Course No.: ECO 362

Nature of the Course: Theory

Full Marks: 100

Pass Marks: 45

Periods per Week: ....

Year: Third, Semester: Sixth

Time per Period: 1 Hour

Level: B.A.

Credits: 3 Total Periods: 48

#### 1. Course Description

This course is intended to investigate various perspectives of Nepalese economy. It analyzes the current scenario of natural resources, human resources, agriculture, industry, financial institutions and development planning of Nepal. The course also aims to evaluate major problems of Nepalese economy. The course encourages students to analyze how Nepalese economy can be boosted. The course incorporates seven units. The first unit deals with the current scenario of natural and human resources of Nepal. The second unit analyzes agriculture sector of Nepal. Likewise, the third unit deals with major problems related to industrial sector. The fourth unit deals with the trends of international trade and balance of payments of Nepal. The fifth unit discusses the major contributions of central bank and other financial institutions in the economic development of Nepal. The sixth unit concerns with government revenue and expenditure. Finally, the seventh unit deals with the development planning of Nepal.

All topics are discussed with emphasis on real-world application. Case studies and current economic trends and developments of Nepal are compared with neighbouring and developed countries as far as possible.

#### 2. Course Objectives

The general objectives of the course are as follows:

- To acquaint the students with human and natural resources of Nepal.
- To help the students to analyze the problems of agricultural sector.
- To enable the students to analyze the industry related issues.
- To discuss the foreign trade and balance of payments of Nepal.
- To enable the students to analyze the role of financial institutions in economic development.
- To enable the students to familiarize with government budget.
- To introduce the students to current development plan of Nepal.

Specific Objectives	Contents	
• Analyze demographic and	Unit I: Natural Resources and Human Resources (6)	
economic features of Nepalese		
economy.	1.10 Features of Nepalese Economy: Demographic Features	
• Highlight the difficulties in the	and Economics Features	
utilization of water resources.	1.11 Water Resources: Current Situation, Problems and	
• Realize the need for development	Prospects	
of water resources.	1.12 Mineral Resources: Current Situation, Problems and	
• Explain the possibilities of	Prospects	
mineral resources in Nepal.	1.13 Forest Resources: Current Situation, Problems and	
• Discuss the role of human	Prospects	
	1.14 Human Resources: Current Situation, Problems and	

resources for the development of Nepal.	Prospects
<ul> <li>Describe the importance of agriculture.</li> <li>Analyze the prospects of agriculture.</li> <li>Discuss major issues of agriculture sector.</li> </ul>	Unit II: Agriculture (6) 2.1 Current Situation, Role and Prospects of Agriculture 2.2 Major Issues of Agriculture Sector: Land reform, Modernization, Marketing, Finance, Labor
<ul> <li>Explain the status of agro-based industries.</li> <li>Highlight the contribution of agro-based industries.</li> <li>Analyze the public policies towards agro-based industries.</li> <li>Discuss the problems faced by agro-based industry.</li> <li>Appreciate the importance of tourism sector.</li> <li>Discuss the problems faced by tourism industry.</li> <li>Highlight the features of TSMP.</li> <li>Analyze the current industrial policy of Nepal.</li> </ul>	Unit III: Industry (8)  3.1 Agro-based Industry 3.1.1 Current Situation, Role. Problems and Prospects  3.1.2 Government Policies 3.1.3 Major Problems 3.2 Tourism Industry 3.2.1 Current Situation, Role. Problems and Prospects  3.2.2 Government Policies 3.2.3 Major Problems 3.2.4 Tourism Sector Master Plan (TSMP) 3.3 Review of Current Industrial Policy of Nepal
<ul> <li>Compare and contrast balance of trade and balance of payments.</li> <li>Analyze the current situation of balance of trade and balance of payments.</li> <li>Explore the problems of international trade of Nepal.</li> <li>Assess the current trade policy of Nepal.</li> <li>Discuss the opportunities and challenges for Nepal as a member of WTO.</li> </ul>	Unit IV: International Trade and Balance of Trade (8)  4.12 Meaning of Balance of Trade and Balance of Payments  4.13 Composition and Trend of International trade  4.14 Current Situation and Trend of Balance of Payments  4.15 Problems of International Trade of Nepal  4.16 Review of Current trade Policy of Nepal  4.17 World Trade Organization and Nepal:  Opportunities and Challenges
<ul> <li>Appreciate the role of Nepal Rastra Bank.</li> <li>Mention the current status of money supply of Nepal.</li> <li>Analyze the current monetary policy of Nepal Rastra Bank.</li> <li>Describe the current status of commercial banks in Nepal.</li> <li>Highlight the role of commercial banks.</li> <li>Describe the current situation of development banks and other financial institutions.</li> </ul>	Unit V: Money and Banking (7) 5.1 Nepal Rastra Bank: Role, Money Supply and Review of Current Monetary Policy of Nepal 5.2 Commercial Banks: Role and Current Situation 5.3 Development Banks and Other Financial Institutions: Role and Current Situation

Appreciate the role of development bank and other financial institutions.	
<ul> <li>Explain the composition and trend of government expenditure.</li> <li>Describe the sources and trend of government revenue.</li> <li>Analyze the composition and trend of internal and external debt of Nepal.</li> <li>Assess the current budget of Nepal.</li> </ul>	Unit VI: Public Finance (5) 6.1 Composition and Trend of Government Expenditure 6.2 Sources and Trend of Government Revenue 6.3 Internal and External Debt of Government: Composition and Trend 6.4 Review of Current Budget of Government of Nepal
<ul> <li>Describe the practice of Nepal regarding development planning.</li> <li>Highlight the objectives and goals of current plan.</li> <li>Mention the priorities of current plan.</li> <li>Analyze the strategies mentioned in current plan.</li> <li>Explain the resource allocation proposed by current plan.</li> </ul>	Unit VII: Development Planning (5) 7.1 Historical Background 7.2 Current Plan: Objectives, Goals, Priorities, Strategies and Resource Allocation

*Note: (i) The figures in the parentheses indicate the approximate periods for the respective units.* 

(ii) Total periods (50 Hrs) include the time required for class-room teaching (45 Hrs), Mid-term examination (2 Hrs) and End-term examination (3 Hrs)

#### 6. Prescribed Books and References

#### **Prescribed Books**

• Bista, Raghubir. (2011). Economics of Nepal: Experience, Observation & Discussion, Second Edition, Kathmandu: New Hira Books Enterprises.

- Current Plan of Nepal
- World Development Report
- Human Development Report
- Websites: NRB, Ministries of Government of Nepal, CBS, IMF, WB, ADB etc.
- Websites (Nepal Rastra Bank, Central Bureau of Statistics, World Bank, International Monetary Fund, Asian Development Bank, Ministries of Government of Nepal etc.)
- Current Monetary Policy of Nepal.
- Current Government Budget of Government of Nepal.
- Industrial Policy of Nepal.

Course Title: **Public Finance**Course No.: ECO 471

Nature of the Course: Theory

Year: Fourth, Semester: Seventh

Full Marks: 100

Pass Marks: 45

Periods per Week: ....

Time per Period: 1 Hour

Level: B.A.

Credits: 3 Total Periods: 48

#### 1. Course Description

This course is intended to examine various perspectives of public finance. It analyzes the economic basis for government activity. The course also aims to evaluate major expenditure policies of Nepalese and American government. Moreover, the course comprises of source of government revenue. The course encourages students to analyze how government plays role in the country. The course incorporates nine units. The first unit deals with the introduction of public finance. The second unit analyzes market efficiency and market failure. Likewise, the third unit deals with externalities and government's response to externalities. The fourth unit deals with the issues on public goods. The fifth unit discusses the public choice and political process. The sixth unit concerns with cost-benefit analysis of government expenditure. The seventh unit examines government practices on social security. Likewise, the eighth unit investigates the effect of taxes on efficiency. Finally, the ninth unit deals with the issues on fiscal federalism.

All topics are discussed with emphasis on real-world application. Case studies and current economic trends and developments of Nepal are compared with neighbouring and developed countries as far as possible.

#### 2. Course Objectives

The general objectives of the course are as follows:

- To acquaint the students with basic concept of public finance.
- To help the students to analyze market efficiency and market failure.
- To enable the students to analyze the government's response to deal with externalities.
- To discuss the issues on public goods.
- To enable the students to analyze the public choice and political process.
- To enable the students to examine the cost-benefit analysis of government investments.
- To introduce the students to subsidies and social security.
- To discuss the effect of taxes on efficiency.
- To discuss the issues on fiscal federalism.

Specific Objectives	Contents	
• Explain the concepts of	Unit I: Introduction (4)	
individuals, society and		
government.	1.15 Individuals, Society and Government	
• Discuss the features of market	1.16 Types of Economies and Government Role	
economy, socialism and mixed	1.17 Government Expenditure in Nepal	
economy.	1.18 Government Expenditure in the United States	
• Analyze the composition and	1.19 The Structure of State and Local Government	
trend of government expenditure	- 4 - 1 - 4 1 - 4	

<ul> <li>in Nepal.</li> <li>Analyze the structure of State and local government expenditure in the United States.</li> <li>Overview the sources of government expenditure in the United States.</li> <li>Describe the efficiency criterion.</li> <li>Analyze function of market economy.</li> <li>Discuss major causes of market failure.</li> <li>Compare efficiency and equity.</li> </ul>	1.20 Financing Government Expenditure in the United States  Unit II: Efficiency, Markets and Governments (5) 2.1 Positive and Normative Economics 2.2 Normative Evaluation of Resource Use: The Efficiency Criterion 2.3 Marginal Conditions for Efficiency 2.4 Markets, Prices, and Efficiency Conditions 2.5 Market Failure 2.6 Efficiency vs Equity
<ul> <li>Explain the concept of positive and negative externalities.</li> <li>Analyze the internalization of externalities.</li> <li>Discuss the application of the Coase Theorem.</li> <li>Compare and analyze market-based approaches and Command-and-control approaches.</li> </ul>	Unit III: Externalities and Government Policy (7) 3.1 Positive and Negative Externalities 3.2 Internalization of Externalities 3.3 The Coase Theorem 3.4 Market-based Methods and Command-and-Control Methods
<ul> <li>Discuss the concept of public goods.</li> <li>Explain the demand for a pure public good.</li> <li>Describe the efficient output of a pure public good.</li> <li>Discuss the measures to deal with free-rider problem.</li> </ul>	Unit IV: Public Goods (6)  4.18 Characteristics of Public Goods  4.19 The Demand for a Pure Public Good  4.20 Efficient Output of a Pure Public Good  4.21 Free - Rider Problem
<ul> <li>Describe the supply of public goods through political institutions.</li> <li>Explain the concept of political equilibrium.</li> <li>Analyze the model of political equilibrium under majority rule.</li> <li>Describe the role of bureaucracy on supply of public output.</li> </ul>	Unit V: Public Choice and the Political Process (5) 5.1 The Supply of Public Goods through Political Institutions 5.2 The Concept of Political Equilibrium 5.3 A Model of Political Equilibrium under Majority Rule 5.4 Bureaucracy and the Supply of Public Output
<ul> <li>Explain the budget formulation process.</li> <li>Describe the economic analysis for the budget formulation process.</li> <li>Examine the cost-benefit analysis of government investments.</li> <li>Discuss the significance of deficit budget in Nepal and the United States.</li> <li>Appreciate the government</li> </ul>	Unit VI: Cost-Benefit Analysis and Government Investments (5) 6.1 Budget Process 6.2 Economic Analysis for the Budget Process: Achieving the Least-Cost 6.3 Cost-Benefit Analysis 6.4 Analysis of Government Investments: Cost-Benefit Analysis in Practice 6.5 Deficit Budget: Practice in Nepal and the United States  Unit VII: Government Subsidies and Social Security (2)

role on subsidies and social security.  • Discuss the government practice in Nepal and the United States regarding social security.	<ul><li>7.1 Practice in Nepal</li><li>7.2 Practice in the United States</li></ul>
<ul> <li>security.</li> <li>Explain the purpose of government finance.</li> <li>Describe the principles of taxation.</li> <li>Analyze the burden of an absolute tax.</li> <li>Examine the burden of an absolute tax.</li> </ul>	Unit VIII: Introduction to Government Finance (6) 8.1 Purpose of Government Finance 8.2 Principles of Taxation 8.3 Burden of an Absolute Tax and Efficiency 8.4 Burden of an Ad valorem Taxation and Efficiency
<ul> <li>Explain the concept of fiscal federalism.</li> <li>Compare centralized and decentralized governments.</li> <li>Discuss citizen mobility.</li> <li>Discuss the theory of taxation in decentralized system.</li> <li>Examine the interdependence of federal government and states.</li> <li>Discuss the significance of grants.</li> </ul>	Unit IX: Fiscal Federalism and State and Local Government Finance (5)  9.1 Fiscal Federalism 9.2 Centralized Versus Decentralized Government 9.3 Citizen Mobility and Decentralized Government 9.4 The Theory of Taxation within a Decentralized System 9.5 Intergovernmental Fiscal Relations 9.6 The Theory of Grants

Note: (i) The figures in the parentheses indicate the approximate periods for the respective units. (ii) Total periods (50 Hrs) include the time required for class-room teaching (45 Hrs),

Mid-term examination (2 Hrs) and End-term examination (3 Hrs).

#### 4. Prescribed Books and References

#### **Prescribed Books**

• Hyman, David, N. (2011). *Public Finance: A Contemporary Application of Theory to Practice, 10<sup>th</sup> Edition: USA*: South-Western, Cengage Learning.

- Current Plan of Nepal
- Current Budge.
- t of the United States
- Current Budget of Government of Nepal.

Course Title: Research Methodology Data Analysis for Economics

Full Marks: 100

Course No.: ECO 472

Nature of the Course: Theory

Year: Fourth, Semester: Seventh

Level: B.A.

Pass Marks: 45

Periods per Week: 3

Time per Period: 1 Hour

Total Periods: 48

#### 1. Course Description

This course is intended to provide an introduction to research methodology in Economics. Moreover, the course focuses on economic data analysis. The course also aims to describe sampling methods and data collection methods. The course encourages students to analyze economic data. The course incorporates five units. The first unit deals with the basic concepts of social research. The second unit analyzes research design and sampling. Likewise, the third unit deals with data collection. The fourth unit deals with the qualitative and quantitative data analysis. Finally, the fifth unit deals with the research ethics.

All topics are discussed with emphasis on real-world application. Economic data from the real world are analyzed as far as practicable.

#### 2. Course Objectives

The general objectives of the course are as follows:

- To acquaint the students with introduction to social research.
- To help the students to discuss basics of empirical research.
- To enable the students to describe data collection methods.
- To enable the students to familiarize with data analysis methods.
- To introduce the students to research ethics.

Specific Objectives	Contents	
<ul> <li>Analyze the meaning of scientific research.</li> <li>Realize the way of thinking like a researcher.</li> <li>Describe the research process.</li> <li>Discuss the theories on social research.</li> </ul>	Unit I: Introduction to Research (8)  1.21 Meaning of Scientific Research 1.22 Thinking Like a Researcher 1.23 The Research Process 1.24 Theories in Social Research	
<ul> <li>Describe the key attributes of research design.</li> <li>Discuss the measurement scales.</li> <li>Examine the reliability and validity of scales.</li> <li>Discuss the sampling methods.</li> </ul>	Unit II: Basics of Empirical Research (8) 2.1 Research Design 2.2 Levels of Measurement 2.3 Scale Reliability and Validity 2.4 Sampling	
<ul> <li>Explain the survey method.</li> <li>Analyze the steps of case research.</li> <li>Explain the interpretive research.</li> </ul>	Unit III: Data Collection (8) 3.1 Survey Research 3.2 Case Research 3.3 Interpretive Research	

• Explain qualitative research.	Unit IV: Data	a Analysis (18)
<ul><li>Analyze the descriptive analysis.</li><li>Discuss the inferential analysis.</li></ul>	4.22 4.23 4.24	Qualitative Analysis: Descriptive Statistics Quantitative Analysis: Inferential Statistics
<ul> <li>Appreciate the need of research ethics.</li> <li>Analyze the ethical principles in scientific research.</li> </ul>	5.1 Me	earch Ethics (3) caning of Research Ethics nical principles in Scientific Research

Note: (i) The figures in the parentheses indicate the approximate periods for the respective units.

(ii) Total periods (50 Hrs) include the time required for class-room teaching (45 Hrs),

Mid-term examination (2 Hrs) and End-term examination (3 Hrs).

#### 4. Prescribed Books and References

#### **Prescribed Book**

• Anol Bhattacherjee (2012). Social Science Research: Principles, Methods, and Practices, Second Edition, Florida: University of Florida.

#### References

• Robert B. Burns & Richard A. Burns (2008). Business Research Methods and Statistics Using SPSS, New Delhi: SAGE Publications Ltd.

Course Title: Sustainable Development, Optional I
Course No.: ECO 481
Nature of the Course: Theory
Year: Fourth, Eighth Semester
Level: B.A.
Full Marks: 100
Pass Marks: 45
Periods per Week: 3
Time per Period: 1 Hour
Total Periods: 48

#### 1. Course Description:

This course aims to acquaint the students with various dimensions of sustainable development. Emphases are placed on challenges of the world. The course incorporates six units. The first unit deals with introduction of sustainable development. The second unit discusses the challenges of the world. Likewise, the third unit deals with the need for planning for sustainable development. The fourth unit deals with production and consumption. The fifth unit discusses the indicators of sustainability. Finally, the sixth unit highlights the role of government and civil society for sustainable development.

All topics are discussed with emphasis on real-world application. Case studies and trends of economic development are examined in Nepalese and global perspectives as far as possible.

#### 2. Course Objectives:

The general objectives of the course are as follows:

- To acquaint the students with the basics of sustainable development.
- To help the students to discuss the challenges of the world.
- To enable the students to discuss the need of planning for sustainable development.
- To acquaint the students with production and consumption as the backbone of an economy.
- To discuss indicators of sustainability.
- To acquaint the students with role of government and civil society for sustainable development.

	5. Specific Objectives and Contents:		
Specific Objectives	Contents		
<ul> <li>Discuss the meaning of sustainable development.</li> <li>Examine the need of society, economy and environment together.</li> <li>Explain sustainable development as a dynamic process.</li> <li>Appreciate the role of women in sustainable development.</li> </ul>	Unit I: Introduction (7)  1.5 Defining Sustainable Development  1.6 The Three Pillars of Sustainable Development  1.7 Sustainable Development: Process or End Result?  1.4 Women and Sustainable Development		
<ul> <li>Discuss the effect of changing paradigm of globalization on development.</li> <li>Discuss the conflicts, controversies and coordination in two-tier world.</li> <li>Analyze the distribution of burden of pollution among advanced and developing</li> </ul>	Unit II: Challenges of a Global World (8) 2.13 Going Global: An Old Process on a New Scale 2.14 A Two-tier World 2.15 National Growth and Global Consequences 2.16 A Level Playing Field 2.17 Tools for Sustainable Development 2.18 Pro-poor Growth 2.19 Making Aid Count 2.20 Going Forward		

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Note: (i) The figures in the parentheses indicate the approximate periods for the respective units.
(ii) Total periods (50 Hrs) include the time required for class-room teaching (45 Hrs), Mid-term examination (2 Hrs) and End-term examination (3 Hrs).

#### 4. Prescribed Books:

#### **Text Book**

• Soubbotina, T.P. (2004). *Beyond Economic Growth*, Second Edition: The World Bank.

- Journals on Sustainable Development
- World Development Reports and Human Development Reports
- Websites: WB and other institutions

Course Title: International Economics, Optional II

Course No.: ECO 482

Nature of the Course: Theory

Year: Fourth, Semester: Eighth

Full Marks: 100

Pass Marks: 45

Periods per Week: 3

Time per Period: 1

Hour

Level: B.A. Total Periods: 48

#### 1. Course Description

This course is intended to investigate various perspectives of International Economics. It analyzes the theories and instruments of international trade. The course also aims to evaluate roles of the International Monetary Fund and the World Trade Organization, and the development issues in developing countries. The course incorporates five units. The first unit deals with the theories of international trade. The second unit analyzes the tools of trade policies. Likewise, the third unit deals with political economy of trade policy. The fourth unit focuses on trade policies of developing countries. Finally, the fifth unit deals with the growth, crisis and reforms in developing countries.

All topics are discussed with emphasis on real-world application. Case studies and current economic trends and developments of developing countries like Nepal are compared with emerging economies and developed countries as well.

#### 2. Course Objectives

The general objectives of the course are as follows:

- To acquaint the students with theories of international trade.
- To help the students to evaluate the instruments of international trade.
- To enable the students to analyze the political economy of trade policy.
- To discuss the trade policies of developing countries.
- To enable the students to discuss the growth, crisis and reforms in developing countries.

3. Specific Objectives and Contents		
Specific Objectives	Contents	
• Describe the basics of gravity	• • •	
model of international trade.	<b>1.1</b> World Trade: An Overview	
• Discuss the changing pattern of	1.24.1 Basics of Gravity Model	
world trade.	1.24.2 The Changing Pattern of World Trade	
• Discuss the applicability of the	1.25 The Ricardian Model	
Ricardian model.	1.25.1 Concept of Comparative Advantage	
• Analyze the basic concepts of	1.25.2 Misconceptions about Comparative Advantage	
Heckscher-Ohlin Model, and its	1.25.3 Empirical Evidences on the Ricardian Model	
empirical evidences.	1.26 The Specific Factors Model	
• Explain the standard trade	1.4 The Heckscher-Ohlin Model	
model.	1.4.1 Basic Concept of the Heckscher-Ohlin Model	
	1.4.2 Empirical Evidences on the Heckscher-Ohlin Model	
	1.4.3 Factor Prices, Goods Prices and Production Decisions	
	1.5 The Standard Trade Model	
• Discuss the pros and cons of	Unit II: Instruments of Trade Policy (9)	
tariff.	2.1 Basic Tariff Analysis	
• Analyze the effect of export	2.1.1 Supply, Demand and Trade in a Single Industry	
subsidies.	2.1.2 Effects of a Tariff	
• Discuss the welfare effect of	2.1.3 Measuring the Amount of Protection	
	2.2 Costs and Benefits of a Tariff	

import quota.	2.2.1 Consumer Surplus and Producer Surplus	
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	2.3 Export Subsidies	
	2.4 Import Quota	
	2.4.1 Basic Concept of Import Quota	
	2.4.2 Welfare Effect of import Quota	
	2.4.3 Comparison of Tariff with Import Quota	
	Unit III: The Political Economy of Trade Policy (12)	
Di	3.1 The Case for Free Trade	
• Discuss the gains from free trade.	3.1.1 Free Trade and Efficiency	
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• Explain rent seeking.	3.1.2 Additional Gains from Free Trade 3.1.3 Rent Seeking	
• Discuss the arguments for and	3.1.4 Political Argument on Free Trade	
against free trade.	3.2 National Welfare Arguments against Free Trade	
• Assess the market failure	3.2.1 The Terms of Trade Argument for a Tariff	
argument against free trade.	3.2.2 The Domestic Market failure Argument against	
• Appreciate the importance of	Free	
trade negotiations.	Trade	
• Explain the history of trade	3.2.3 How Convincing is the Market Failure Argument?	
agreements.	3.3 International Trade Negotiations and Trade Policy	
• Discuss the Uruguay round.	3.3.1 The Advantages of Trade Negotiations	
• Analyze the effects of trade	3.3.2 International Trade Agreements: A Brief History	
liberalization.	3.3.3 The Uruguay Round	
• Explain Doha disappointment.	3.3.4 Trade Liberalization	
• Discuss the effect of agricultural	3.3.5 Administrative Reforms: From the GATT to the	
subsidies to the third world.	WTO	
	3.4 The Doha Disappointment	
	3.5 Do Agricultural Subsidies Hurt the Third World?	
• Discuss import-substitution	Unit IV: Trade Policy in Developing Countries (5)	
policy of developing countries.	4.25 Import-Substitution Industrialization	
• Discuss trade liberalization and	4.25.1 The Infant Industry Argument	
its effects in developing	4.25.2 Promoting Manufacturing through	
countries.	Protection	
• Investigate trade and growth in	4.26 Trade Liberalization since 1985	
Asia.	4.27 Trade and Growth: Takeoff in Asia	
• Explore the trend of world	Unit V: Developing Countries: Growth, Crisis, and Reforms	
income gap over time.	(7)	
• Discuss the structural features of	5.1 Income. Wealth, and Growth in the World Economy	
developing countries.	5.1.1 The Gap between Rich and Poor	
• Analyze the success stories of	5.1.2 Has the World Income Gap Narrowed over Time?	
East Asian economies.	5.2 Structural Features of Developing Countries	
• Explore the causes and	5 2 Fast Asia Sysassa and Chicia	
consequences of Asian financial	5.3.1 The East Asian Economic Miracle	
crisis.	5.3.2 Asian financial Crisis	
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#### 4. Prescribed Books and References

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• Krugman, P.A.; Obstfeld, M. & Melitz, M.J. (2012). *International Economics: Theory and Policy*, Ninth Edition, Delhi:Pearson Publications.

#### References

 Publications and Websites of the World Bank, the WTO, the IMF and other Financial Institutions.