Econ 102 Final Exam Spring 2011

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Please answer 40 of the following 42 questions. Mark clearly the two you are deleting.
Except where otherwise noted assume a Keynesian model.
1-5)
If there is an autonomous decrease in investment, how, if any would this affect:
output 1)
private savings 2)
and interest rates 3)
4) To offset these effects, how, if any, should fiscal policy be adjusted?
5) If monetary policy were used instead, how should it be adjusted?
6-9)
6) How would a tax cut affect consumption?
7) What would determine how much output would be affected?
If Ricardian equivalence held, how would this tax cut affect output? 8)
and private savings? 9)
10) Explain whether the simple Keynesian model would hold better if unemployment were above or below its natural rate.

11) If inventories are falling rapidly explain what this would tell us about the outlook for output growth.	
12-13) 12) Under flexible exchange rates and a constant money supply, explain how a fiscal	
expansion would influence the value of the currency in the foreign exchange market if capital mobility is low?	
13)Explain how, if any, the effects would change if capital mobility is high.	
14-15)	•
Explain how, if any, an increase in capital mobility would affect the strength of fiscal policy under fixed exchange rates? 14)	_
Explain how, if any, the answer would change for flexible exchange rates. 15)	
16-17) Explain whether under fixed exchange rates a country could have an effective monetary police	

in the short run if capital mobility was perfect.

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Explain how, if 17)	any, your answer would change if capital mobility were low.
	has a capital inflow under flexible exchange rates, what, if anything, can we rrent account?
9) What role, i urve?	f any, did inflationary expectations play in the original Phillips
	does the ratio of flexible price markets to sticky price markets affect the shape run aggregate supply (AS) curve?
How, if any,	does the modern Keynesian Phillips curve differ from the original one?
How, if any, expectations	would a substantial increase in unemployment affect inflationary
) What is the s	acrifice ratio?

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24) How, if any, would a shift from adaptive to rational expectations affect the sacrifice ra	tio
25)Explain how, if any, the credibility of an anti-inflation policy would affect the sacrifice ratio.	<u> </u>
26-28)	
26) What is the Taylor principle?	
27) According to this analysis what was the major cause of the great inflation of the 1970s	?
28) According to the Taylor principle if a country is near full employment explain whether would be better for the monetary authorities to follow a constant money supply or interest resolicy in the face of a fiscal expansion?	
9) Explain how, if any, variability in the demand for money affects the case for following monetary growth rate?	a
monetary growth rate:	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·

30-31)	
30) What is the tin	ne inconsistency problem?
	ould this affect the credibility of a government announcement that while it is budget deficit now to stimulate the economy, it will cut the budget deficits
32-33)	
(32) According to m	nodern Phillips curve analysis explain whether prices or quantities tend to to changes in aggregate demand
3) Explain how, if	any, this affects the time inconsistency problem.
4) Explain how, if versus discretion	any, lags in the effects of macroeconomic policies affect the case for rules nary policy?

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i) What is the political business cycle? i) How, if any, would the slope of the short run AS curve affect the incentives to engage political business cycle? -38)) Explain the concept of automatic stabilizer.) Under fixed exchange rates how, if any, would international trade affect the strength automatic stabilization? Explain whether in the face of a fall in aggregate demand a policy of constant interest or a constant money supply would work better.	gage
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What is the Lucas critique?	
	

41) Explain how, i	f any, the Federa	al Reserve's monetary	y policy contributed to g	enerating the
recent financia	l crisis.			
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42) "Taking macro	economics is bet	etter than being steppe	ed on by an elephant"	
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Have an excellent summer!

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