# FAQs (English version 2022-23)

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* Were are allocated the course resources?:
  + <https://baobab.uc3m.es/monet/monnet/spip.php?rubrique24>
* Course slides are downloadable at
  + <https://baobab.uc3m.es/monet/monnet/spip.php?rubrique25>
  + Compulsory reading is downloadable in this link from the slides link of each lesson.
  + The required reading hard copy is available "clave 2" for the course 2020-21 from "*reprografía*" ground floor building 9.
* readings to help write the course essay are also downloadable from this link:
* Monetary and fiscal policy in the European Union readings: <https://baobab.uc3m.es/monet/monnet/spip.php?rubrique108>
* Brexit or BINO (Brexit In Name Only)?: <https://baobab.uc3m.es/monet/monnet/spip.php?rubrique116>
* CAP reform and the multiannual financial framework 2014-20 and 2020-26: <https://baobab.uc3m.es/monet/monnet/spip.php?rubrique91>
* Deepening the European Monetary Union. Banking Union: <https://baobab.uc3m.es/monet/monnet/spip.php?rubrique121>
* Environmental policy in the EU / Política Ambiental Europea: <https://baobab.uc3m.es/monet/monnet/spip.php?rubrique74>
* Euro-Area Debt Crisis: Debate readings: <https://baobab.uc3m.es/monet/monnet/spip.php?rubrique55>
* Food price stability and food security: <https://baobab.uc3m.es/monet/monnet/spip.php?rubrique99>
* Lisbon Strategy and the infrastructures and R & D + i policy: <https://baobab.uc3m.es/monet/monnet/spip.php?rubrique94>
* More verbal information during the reduced classes will insist on this information

# Grading

* Grading rules are at
  + <https://baobab.uc3m.es/monet/monnet/spip.php?rubrique41>
* [**Please, before start writing your papers read the instructions carefully for written homework and research paper**](http://baobab.uc3m.es/monet/monnet/spip.php?article144) **at** 
  + <https://baobab.uc3m.es/monet/monnet/spip.php?article144>

# Complementary readings to help write the course essay are also downloadable from this link by topic:

Important: The web shows only ten entries at the time; to see the next ten, you should click on

**0** | [10](https://baobab.uc3m.es/monet/monnet/spip.php?rubrique23&debut_articles=10#pagination_articles) | [20](https://baobab.uc3m.es/monet/monnet/spip.php?rubrique23&debut_articles=20#pagination_articles) | [30](https://baobab.uc3m.es/monet/monnet/spip.php?rubrique23&debut_articles=30#pagination_articles)

e.g., 10 to see the following ten readings click on 10; 20 for the subsequent 11 to 20 readings and so on.

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* Pueden usar indistintamente también las lecturas del grupo en español en:
* https://baobab.uc3m.es/monet/monnet/spip.php?rubrique23
* [**Ethics Code of the University. This document summarizes different aspects related to the exams and students grading process.**](https://baobab.uc3m.es/monet/monnet/spip.php?article581)

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# Do the readings go into continuous assessment and exams?

Yes, there are textbook chapters readings. Others that appear with a link in the transparencies of the course on current issues are mandatory. In some lessons, a link may appear on the slides, but it is indicated that the reading is complementary; in that case, it is not mandatory.

# Are supplementary readings compulsory?

The complementary readings that appear on the web at baobab.uc3m.es are not compulsory, but they can guide you to do your work and learn more about specific relevant topics.

# Do we have to deliver it printed on paper, or do we send it to you via mail or global classroom?

All assignments are delivered in AULA GLOBAL 2, in YOUR small group, in the folder opened for this purpose. And within the deadline spotted in each folder.

# Is this summary individual, but then you have to do a group topic?

All assignments SHOULD BE delivered in AULA GLOBAL 2 individually if are teanworking each member of the group should upload the paper in Aula Global.

# How do you weigh each activity in the continuous assessment grade?

**ESSAY (20% OF THE FINAL GRADE)**

Instructions for the essay (downloadable Word file at the end of this webpage)

<https://baobab.uc3m.es/monet/monnet/spip.php?article144>

ASSIGNMENT: submission of the topic chosen for the essay

In early October, every student should submit through this tool the topic that he/she has chosen for his/her essay. He/she can change it afterwards, but it is not advisable to be lingering about the topic.

You can discuss the topic with the Lecturer and/or the Teaching Assistant before the submitting date.

Please, note that essay topics sent by email to the lecturers will not be graded; they should be submitted through this tool.

ASSIGNMENT: submission of the final version of the essay Turnitin Assignment 2

In early December, students should submit through this Turnitin tool the final version of their essays.

Please, note that essays sent by email to the lecturers will not be graded; they should be submitted through this tool.

**MIDTERM EXAM (40% OF THE FINAL GRADE)**

The midterm exam will be around Monday 8th November. The topics that will be assessed in the exam will be specified in advance, moreover by default cover all the explained lessons.

**FINAL EXAM (40% OF THE FINAL GRADE)**

Wednesday 15th December 2021, from 3 to 6 pm (please check the link with the official calendar in case there are some last-minute changes)

**PROBLEM SETS (+5% EXTRA FOR THE FINAL GRADE)**

Submissions of Problem Sets, together with active participation in both theoretical and practical classes, can add an extra 5% to the final grade.

Please note that the real value of theoretical and practical classes resides in the preparation of both midterm and final exams, which together represent 80% of the final grade.

Practical classes will start in second week of the course. Throughout the course, we will analyse the graphical and quantitative aspects of the different types of economic integration from a partial equilibrium perspective (i.e. ceteris paribus). We shall cover both the Theory of Economic Integration (Lesson 4) and the related exercises (Problem Sets 1 to 5). Files will be uploaded to the lecturer's webpage, and a link will be added to this part of Aula Global. For each Problem Set, an ASSIGNMENT will be opened in Aula Global for the students to submit their solutions to the exercises (scanned manuscripts are accepted -and advisable; please do not waste time on typescripts).

GRADING / Valuation criteria:

https://baobab.uc3m.es/monet/monnet/spip.php?article361

**IMPORTANT:** If a student follows the continuous assessment but has any emergency that prevents him from taking a quiz or submitting an assignment, he can take the final exam to raise his grade, notifying his small group lecturer by mail in advance. Students can also do it if they want to rise the grade to qualify for honours or other reasons.

**Sick or isolated students MUST NOT CHANGE GROUPS** can attend online classes if their small group voluntarily sends them the link on blackboard Collaborator(bbcu). They should use the material available on the web to prepare their evaluations.

# What can I do if I cannot attend a face-to-face exam due to being quarantined or ill?

You can take the exam online from home as long as you have your camera and open microphone available during the exam. In these cases, the lecturers may also call you for an oral exam.

You must notify your small practical group lecturer in advance.

# On what topics can I do the essay?

The recommended topics for the essay are one of the topics for which you already have additional reading or a more specific question related to them (recommended):

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# Is it necessary to get a minimum grade both in the partial and in the final so that the concepts of continuous assessment can be added?

No minimum grade is required to calculate the final average grade, but you must have more than five final grade points to pass the course.

# What are the weights of my final course grade if I accidentally fail to attempt the midterm exam?

The grading rules were published before the course started and this is what we apply:

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If you read carefully the grading information of the Facultad de Ciencias Sociales y Jurídicas you may notice that for students who choose not to follow the continuous evaluation in de "examen ordinario" (December or January) your grade in the exam should be 60% of the final COURSE grade (so you need a minimum of 8 over 10 to qualify). If you fail, you may retake your final exam in June. Moreover, in the "examen extraordinario" (the retake exam of June) and them you just need 5 points over 10 to qualify.

**The School regulation makes clear, as you already know, that:**

The coordinating lecturer of the subject may increase the value of the continuous assessment and reduce the value of the final exam. In those subjects in which a weight of less than 60% is programmed in the final exam, or it does not exist, students who have not followed the continuous evaluation will be allowed to take a final exam with a value of 60% of the subject. The qualification of the students in the extraordinary call will adjust to the following rules: a. If the student followed the continuous evaluation process, the exam would have the same percentage value as in the ordinary call, and the final grade for the subject will take into account the continuous evaluation mark and the mark obtained in the final exam.

b. If the student did not follow the continuous evaluation process, they will have the right to take an exam in the extraordinary call with a value of 100% of the total grade for the subject. [in this case, you must inform your practice lecturer BEFORE the exam] Notwithstanding the foregoing, when the characteristics of the continuous assessment exercises allow it, the lecturer may authorize the student to submit them in the extraordinary call, evaluating in such a case the subject in the same way as in the ordinary call. c. Even if the student had followed the continuous evaluation process, they would have the right to be graded in the extraordinary call, taking into account only the grade obtained in the final exam when it is more favourable.  
  
So, we allow our students to choose which alternative is more convenient in their won case 100% final exam. If you decide to attend the final exam in June, you may ask to preserve your continuous evaluation grade as 60% of the final grade as far as you communicate your decision before the exam to the practical class lecturer.