**ECON 7395 Monetary Policy David Papell Spring 2014**

The readings are divided into three areas, pre-Taylor rule (Section 1), Taylor rule (Sections 2 – 5), and financial crisis/monetary policy at the zero lower bound (Section 6). The material in the last section is evolving, and I’m sure that I will add readings before the end of the semester. The syllabus on my web page contains links to all of the readings except for Woodford’s book.

The requirements for the course are an empirical paper and a final examination. For the paper, I expect you to ask a question, write a literature review, estimate something, and write up your results. The benchmark paper would estimate a Taylor rule with real-time data for some country other than the U.S., but I am open to more original ideas, I would expect the paper to be about 10-15 pages long including footnotes, references, figures, and tables, and to look like a short journal article.

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