

Course Descriptions Master 2014-2015

Course Title Advanced Course in Accounting

Course Code EBC4132

ECTS Credits 6,5

Assessment None

Period	Period	Start	End	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
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Level Advanced

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Language of instruction English

Goals The objective of this course is to help students develop a valid basis for conducting and evaluating scholarly research in accounting. Graduates have profound, evidence-based and up-to-date academic knowledge and understanding of theories, methods and tools in business/economics. This includes demonstrating the ability to develop new ideas. Graduates can apply their profound knowledge and understanding to identify and solve also unstructured or semi-structured real life business/economic problems in unfamiliar environments within broader multidisciplinary contexts. This includes demonstrating analytical skills and a problem-solving attitude. Graduates can integrate various perspectives to formulate Judgments even with incomplete information on complex theoretical and practical business/economic issues.

Description During this course, you will be exposed to contract theory, which is the 'short term' for the theory of incentives, information, and economic institutions, and its relevance for accounting. We will cover the basic ideas in incentive and information theory like screening, signaling, and moral hazard and the analytics behind these models. In addition, we will use these insights to analyze issues in accounting (research) such as performance-based incentives, budgeting, voluntary disclosure, accounting regulation, and auditing.

Literature Reader

Prerequisites

Teaching methods PBL

Assessment methods Final Paper / Written Exam

Evaluation in previous academic year For the complete evaluation of this course please click <http://iwio-sbe.maastrichtuniversity.nl/rapporten.asp?referrer=codeUM>

This course belongs to the following programme / specialisation

Master Business Research	Free Electives
Master Business Research	Information Management & Accounting
Master Business Research Track OR	Free Electives