

Course Descriptions Exchange 2015-2016

Course Title Banking
 Course Code EBC2019
 ECTS Credits 6,5
 Assessment Whole/Half Grades

Period	Period	Start	End	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
1		31-8-2015	23-10-2015	X/E			X/E	

Level Intermediate
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 Language of instruction English

Goals

- To understand the functioning of financial (sub)markets (e.g. capital and money market) and their role and function in the overall economic framework;
- To get a basic understanding of the functions of a central bank and monetary policy;
- To understand the essentials of banks and to get a basic understanding of their operations; to learn about the main developments in the (international) banking sector;
- To understand the basics of financial risk management and the role of supervisory authorities; to get a basic understanding of financial stability issues.

Description

The aim of this course is to provide an introduction to topics in the field of (international) financial markets, central banks and monetary policy and the banking sector.

The course begins with a classification of financial markets (e.g. capital markets, money markets) as well as an analysis of the role financial markets play in the overall economic framework, both from a macro-economic as well as a micro-economic perspective.

Thereafter, the "management" of financial markets is discussed, in particular the central role played by central banks in this respect. The functions and tasks of central banks will be analysed, in particular their responsibility for monetary policy. In this context, the course will in particular deal with the operational framework for monetary policy, and the interaction of central banks and banks in the money market.

Subsequently, another major player in the financial markets will be analysed, i.e. the banking sector. The functions of banks will be elaborated upon, as well as their respective business activities. Also the developments in the (international) banking sector will be analysed.

The course finishes with an analysis of risk management at banks, and the importance of adequate risk management from the point of view of overall financial stability. In this context, the role of financial supervisors will be discussed.

Literature F. Mishkin, The economics of money, banking and financial markets, 10th ed. (global edition).

Prerequisites an advanced level of English

Teaching methods PBL / Presentation / Lecture / Assignment

Assessment methods Participation / 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

Bachelor Economics and Business Economics Specialisation Emerging Markets	Year 2 Elective Courses
Bachelor Economics and Business Economics Specialisation International Business Economics	Year 2 Compulsory Courses
Bachelor Fiscal Economics	Electives
SBE Exchange Bachelor	Bachelor Exchange Courses
SBE Exchange Master	Bachelor Exchange Courses
SBE Non Degree Courses	Bachelor Courses