

## Course Descriptions NonDegree 2015-2016

Course Title Understanding Society  
 Course Code EBC2029  
 ECTS Credits 6,5  
 Assessment Whole/Half Grades

Period	Start	End	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
5	11-4-2016	3-6-2016		X			X

Level Introductory  
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 Language of instruction English

Goals  
 - Applying economic theory to social phenomena  
 - Developing skills in identifying and analysing economic logic

Description  
 Marriage, social relations, the way people use their time, family life and religion are all important social phenomena. The performance of people in these social contexts has major consequences for society. These social phenomena were traditionally outside the scope of economists, but are increasingly entering their field of research. The course "Understanding Society" uses economic theories and empirical research to analyse these social phenomena. Students learn to understand and analyse a wide range of social phenomena from an economic point of view and to investigate and interpret these issues empirically.

Literature  
 -Several empirical and theoretical articles

Prerequisites  
 An advanced level of English

Teaching methods  
 PBL / Lecture / Groupwork

Assessment methods  
 Final Paper / 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 Economics	Year 2 Compulsory Courses
Bachelor Economics and Business Economics Specialisation Emerging Markets	Year 2 Elective Courses
Bachelor Economics and Business Economics Specialisation Economics and Management of Information	Free Electives
Bachelor Economics and Business Economics Specialisation International Business Economics	Economics Electives
Bachelor Economics and Business Economics Specialisation International Business Economics	Major Macroeconomics
SBE Exchange Bachelor	Bachelor Exchange Courses
SBE Exchange Master	Bachelor Exchange Courses
SBE Non Degree Courses	Bachelor Courses