

Course Descriptions NonDegree 2015-2016

Course Title Dynamic Modelling and Dynamic Optimisation
 Course Code EBC2116
 ECTS Credits 6,5
 Assessment Whole/Half Grades

Period	Start	End	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
4	1-2-2016	1-4-2016	X			X	

Level Advanced

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Language of instruction English

Goals In this course the student will learn to analyse stability properties of equilibria of dynamic systems in qualitative terms, to apply the maximum principle to optimal control problems, draw phase diagrams with Mathematica and use these to analyse solutions of optimal control problems.

Description Besides a great amount of static models in Economic Theory dynamic models are also frequently studied. These models can be found in various fields such as Macro and Micro Economics, Public Choice, Game Theory and Finance. First, dynamic models, in terms of systems of differential equations are studied with respect to stability. Next optimal control problems are solved by means of the maximum principle of Pontryagin. Applications range from optimal investment to optimal fishing and problems concerning environmental economics.

Literature Léonard, D. and N. van Long, Optimal Control Theory and Static Optimization in Economics, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, UK, 1992, ISBN 0-521-33746-1
 Electronic Courseware for Mathematica.

Prerequisites The student should be familiar with
 - linear differential equations,
 - non-linear optimisation,
 - standard calculus on functions of more than one variable.

Exchange students need to follow a Bachelor in economics.
 An advanced level of English.

Teaching methods PBL / Lecture / Assignment / Groupwork

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

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