

# Course Descriptions Exchange 2016-2017

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

Period	Start	End	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
5	18-4-2017	9-6-2017		X			X

Level Introductory  
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 Language of instruction English  
 Goals - Applying economic theory to social phenomena,  
 - Developing skills in assessing the validity of claims based on empirical research.  
 Description Marriage, social relations, crime, family life and religion are all important social phenomena. The behaviour 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 assess the validity of claims based on empirical research.  
 Literature -Several empirical and theoretical articles  
 Prerequisites An advanced level of English, introductory level of statistics.  
 Teaching methods PBL / Lecture  
 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	Compulsory Courses
Bachelor Economics and Business Economics Specialisation Emerging Markets	Economics Electives
Bachelor Economics and Business Economics Specialisation Emerging Markets	Major Macroeconomics
Bachelor Economics and Business Economics Specialisation Emerging Markets	Year 2 Core 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