

Course Descriptions Bachelor 2020-2021

Course Title Macroeconomics

Course Code EBC1020

ECTS Credits 6,5

Assessment Whole/Half Grades

Period	Start	End	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
4	1-2-2021	26-3-2021	L	X		X	L

Level Introductory

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Language of instruction English

Goals

- learn how to analyse the macroeconomic performance of a country
- learn to understand how to interpret and understand various types of macro economic policy
- understand current discussions about fiscal and monetary policy
- training in presentation- and team-skills

Description PLEASE NOTE THAT THE INFORMATION ABOUT THE TEACHING AND ASSESSMENT METHOD(S) USED IN THIS COURSE IS WITH RESERVATION. THE INFORMATION PROVIDED HERE IS BASED ON THE COURSE SETUP PRIOR TO THE CORONAVIRUS CRISIS. AS A CONSEQUENCE OF THE CRISIS, COURSE COORDINATORS MAY BE FORCED TO CHANGE THE TEACHING AND ASSESSMENT METHODS USED. THE MOST UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION ABOUT THE TEACHING/ASSESSMENT METHOD(S) WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE COURSE SYLLABUS. The course provides an introduction into modern macroeconomic theory and economic policy. This gives basic tools needed to analyse macroeconomic developments. The course covers short-run fluctuations, medium-run equilibrium, and also long-run growth. It discusses macroeconomic policy in a European context, but in a globalizing world. The course includes training in presentation skills, where small teams present and discuss macroeconomic data for various countries.

Literature Blanchard O. (August 2020), Macroeconomics, Global Edition, 8th edition, Pearson Prentice Hall, ISBN-13: 9781292351612, Chapters 1-13, 21.1-21.2, 22-23, including the corresponding chapter appendices (with the exception of the appendix of Ch. 23).

Prerequisites Coverage of basic mathematics, in particular algebra, and some calculus.
An advanced level of English

Teaching methods PBL / Presentation / Lecture / Groupwork

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 Econometrics and Operations Research Year 1 Compulsory Course(s)