

Course Title	Job Performance and the Employment Relationship
Course Code	EBC2138
ECTS Credits	6,5
Assessment	None

Level	Intermediate
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Language of instruction	English
Goals	Understanding of a firm's trade-offs I recruiting, rewarding and developing workers

Description	<p>To improve the performance of a firm, managers have to find tools to hire the right people, to sort them into the right job, to motivate them to do their work well, to develop their skills through formal and informal learning and to cooperate efficiently with co-workers. Firms that stimulate one aspect might do so at the cost of others. Managers therefore face many complex trade-offs in their personnel policies.</p> <p>In this course economic tools to understand these trade-offs will be discussed and illustrated with examples how to apply them in practice.</p> <p>Many questions are asked about the employment relationship, such as: Why should pay vary across workers within firms – and how "compressed" should pay be within firms? Should firms pay workers for their performance on the job or for their skills or hours of work? How are pay and promotions structured across jobs to induce optimal effort from employees? How to design jobs and performance measures? Why use teams and how are teams used most effectively? How should all these human resource management practices, from incentive pay to teamwork, be combined within firms?</p>
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Prerequisites	Knowledge and understanding of introductory microeconomics, like the first-year course EBC1009, Economics and Business and EBC1010, Microeconomics, the latter being based on (parts of) Perloff J.M. (2011), Microeconomics, Pearson, Addison Wesley, Boston. An advanced level of English
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Assessment methods	Final Paper / Participation / Written Exam	
1. Final Paper	2. Participation	3. Written Exam

This course belongs to the following programme / specialisation	Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - Emerging Markets	Year 3 Elective Course(s)
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Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - International Business Economics	Year 3 Economics Elec(s) - Maj Accounting
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Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - International Business Economics	Year 3 Economics Elec(s) - Maj Marketing
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Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - International Business Economics	Year 3 Economics Elec(s) - Maj SCM
Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - International Business Economics	Year 3 Economics Elec(s) - Maj Strategy
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