

## Course Descriptions None 2013-2014

Course Title Reflections on academic discourse  
 Course Code EBS1001  
 ECTS Credits 4,0  
 Assessment None

Period	Start	End	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
3	13-1-2014	24-1-2014	-				

Level Introductory  
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 Language of instruction English

Goals  
 Description The present skills training is about the value of ideas in understanding our environment. The discussions provoked by the economic crisis will help you to consider why some theories are relevant over a certain time period in various cultures and others are not, while at the same time proponents of both sets of theories seem to consider their respective theories as absolutely true. We will encourage you to examine why for many theories that seem to be quite successful, you can find an opposite theory that is adopted by many other academics or practitioners. You have to choose a topical area to which you want to apply this course. All first years students in this School follow this course together (i.e. Economics Econometrics, Fiscal Economics and International Business students will meet each other).

Literature Per topical area you will use a set of articles indicated in ELEUM.  
 The common text for this course is similar to: (1) Babbie, E. (2007). The basic of social research. (4th ed., chapter 1 and 2). Belmont: Wadsworth. And (2) Gravetter, F.J. & Forzano L.B. (2009). Research Methods for the Behavioral Sciences. (3th ed., chapter 1). Belmont: Wadsworth. These three chapters are bundled in one book 'Reflections on academic discourse in business and economics' (ISBN 9781408030288).

Prerequisites an advanced level of English  
 No specific required knowledge requested

Teaching methods Lecture / Assignment / 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 Econometrics and Operations Research	Year 1 Compulsory Skills
	Bachelor Economics and Business Economics Year 1	Compulsory Skills
	Bachelor Fiscal Economics	Year 1 Compulsory Skills
	Bachelor International Business	Year 1 Compulsory Skills
	SBE Exchange Bachelor	Bachelor Courses
	SBE Exchange Master	Bachelor Courses
	SBE Non Degree Courses	Bachelor Courses