# Course Descriptions None 2015-2016

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| Course Title | Empirical Methods in Financial Research |
| Course Code | EBC4151 |
| ECTS Credits | 6,5 |
| Assessment | Whole/Half Grades |

Period

| Period | Start | End | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri |
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| Level | Advanced |
| Coordinator | Joost Pennings For more information:joost.pennings@maastrichtuniversity.nl |
| Language of instruction | English |
| Goals | The course is designed such that students will be able to complete the following by the end of the course:<br><br>Conduct research intended to understand financial behaviour.<br>Differentiate between normative and positive models of decision-making<br>Indicate and outline the behavioural anomalies within financial decision-making theories (e.g., the EU framework)<br>illustrate behavioural anomalies in a real-life decision-making context<br>Utilize the decision-making models in a risky context<br>Apply decision-making theories to complex choices |
| Description | The objective of the course is to provide students with tools to analyse financial decision making behaviour. The course will focus on research methodology that can be used to understand how market participants behave in financial markets (positive approach). This knowledge can be used to develop new financial services and to optimize trading behaviour. Course participants will critically examine the current literature on financial decision-making in economics, management, and psychology. Students will develop skills about setting up a research design (experimental), collecting data (soft and hard data) and analysing the collected data. |
| Literature | Selected papers |
| Prerequisites | None |
| Teaching methods | PBL / Presentation / Lecture / Assignment |
| Assessment methods | Final Paper / Attendance |
| 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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| Master Business Research | Free Electives |
| Master Business Research Track OR | Free Electives |
| Master Economic and Financial Research Track Econometrics | Econometrics, Finance & Monetary Economics |
| Master Economic and Financial Research | Econometrics, Finance & Monetary Economics |