Course Descriptions None 2015-2016

Course Title	Global Business
Course Code	EBC2021
ECTS Credits	6,5
Assessment	Whole/Half Grades

Period

Period	Start	End	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
2	26-10-2015	18-12-2015		X			X

Level	Intermediate
Coordinator	Wilko Letterie, Dominik Mahr For more information:w.letterie@maastrichtuniversity.nl; d.mahr@maastrichtuniversity.nl
Language of instruction	English
Goals	The course develops a better understanding of the multinational enterprise (MNE) and its challenges and opportunities in a globalised world. Given the complexities of managerial decisions of MNEs, there is no 'silver bullet'. Therefore, the course provides students with a better understanding of a firm's external and internal factors that managers need to be taken into account. The course combines learning about relevant concepts from seminal, and state-of the art knowledge sources with own application in various real life contexts. The specific objectives are: 1.to understand a number of crucial theoretical, empirical and managerial issues in international business strategy; 2.to develop the ability to apply theory to real world cases and to find possible solutions to real world cases; 3.to develop the ability to critically assess the usefulness of competing or complementary theories and to decide yourself what is important; 4.to develop skills working in international teams; 5.to manage time; 6.to employ academic writing skills.
Description	The topics covered in this course can roughly be grouped into three categories: FOUNDATIONS: Globalization drivers, internationalization, foreign direct investment and the multinational enterprise. STRATEGY: International, multinational, global and transnational strategies ORGANISATION: Cross-border management of business functions; transnational leadership, transnational company's value system as well as inter-firm relationships.
Literature	To be announced.
Prerequisites	Basic understanding of the development and implementation of firms' strategies.
Teaching methods	PBL / Presentation / Lecture / Papers / 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 International Business Specialisation Emerging Markets	Year 2 Elective Courses
Bachelor International Business	Year 2 Compulsory Courses
SBE Exchange Bachelor	Bachelor Exchange Courses
SBE Exchange Master	Bachelor Exchange Courses
SBE Non Degree Courses	Bachelor Courses