Course Descriptions None 2021-2022

Course Title	Understanding Society
Course Code	EBC2029
ECTS Credits	6,5
Assessment	Whole/Half Grades

Period

Period	Start	End	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
5	11-4-2022	3-6-2022		X			X

Level	Introductory
Coordinator	Steffen Kuenn For more information:s.kuenn@maastrichtuniversity.nl
Language of instruction	English
Goals	* Applying economic theory to social phenomena, * Developing skills in assessing the validity of claims based on empirical research.
Description	Marriage, social relations, crime, family life and religion are all important social phenomena. The behaviour of people in these social contexts has major consequences for society. These social phenomena were traditionally outside the scope of economists, but are increasingly entering their field of research. The course "Understanding Society" uses economic theories and empirical research to analyse these social phenomena. Students learn to understand and analyse a wide range of social phenomena from an economic point of view and to assess the validity of claims based on empirical research.
Literature	Several empirical and theoretical articles
Prerequisites	TRANSITIONAL REGULATION (EBC2029): * Students who started Economics and Business Economics in or prior to September 2019, with specialisation Economics, who have participated in, but not successfully completed, Understanding Society (EBC2029) as a compulsory course in or prior to August 2021, can follow education and/or use the exam only option in the academic year 2021/22, or replace with substitute course Labour Economics (EBC2173) * Students who started Economics and Business Economics in or prior to September 2019, with specialisation "Economics and Management of Information", "Emerging Markets", or "International Business Economics", who have participated in, but not successfully completed, Understanding Society (EBC2029) as elective or core course in or prior to August 2021, can use the exam only option in the academic year 2021/22. PREREQUISITES: An advanced level of English, introductory level of statistics.
Teaching methods	PBL / Lecture
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

Transitional Regulations	See prerequisites