Course Descriptions None 2022-2023

Course Title	Labour Economics
Course Code	EBC4206
ECTS Credits	6,5
Assessment	Whole/Half Grades

Period

Period	Start	End	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
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Level	Advanced
Coordinator	Lex Borghans, Steffen Kuenn For more information:lex.borghans@maastrichtuniversity.nl; s.kuenn@maastrichtuniversity.nl
Language of instruction	English
Goals	Participants will gain a solid knowledge of labour economics and acquire an understanding of the functioning of labour markets. There will be an emphasis on the interaction between theoretical and empirical modelling. Students will become competent to critically evaluate economic theory in light of empirical evidence.
Description	PLEASE NOTE THAT THE INFORMATION ABOUT THE TEACHING AND ASSESSMENT METHOD(S) USED IN THIS COURSE IS WITH RESERVATION. A RE-EMERGENCE OF THE CORONAVIRUS AND NEW COUNTERMEASURES BY THE DUTCH GOVERNMENT MIGHT FORCE COORDINATORS TO CHANGE THE TEACHING AND ASSESSMENT METHODS USED. THE MOST UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION ABOUT THE TEACHING/ASSESSMENT METHOD(S) WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE COURSE SYLLABUS. The course sheds light on the employment decisions from the perspective of the firm and the worker. Topics that are covered in the course are the neoclassical labour supply model, labour demand, wages and employment determination with reference to labour market institutions (e.g. minimum wages, unemployment insurance, employment protection), search and matching theory, human capital theory, and the design of incentive schemes. There will be an emphasis on the interaction between theoretical and empirical modelling. Insights from state-of-the art empirical work will be discussed alongside theory.
Literature	Journal articles; chapters from Cahuc and Zylberberg (2004)
Prerequisites	Microeconomics I
Teaching methods	PBL / Presentation / Lecture / Assignment
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

Master Economic and Financial Research - Econometrics	Year 1 Elective Course(s)
Master Economic and Financial Research - Econometrics	Year 2 Elective Course(s)
Master Economic and Financial Research - No specialisation	Year 2 Elective Course(s)