Course Descriptions None 2024-2025

Course Title	Labour Economics
Course Code	EBC2173
ECTS Credits	6,5
Assessment	Whole/Half Grades

Period

Period	Start	End	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
5	14-4-2025	8-6-2025		X			X

Level	no level
Coordinator	Steffen Kuenn For more information:s.kuenn@maastrichtuniversity.nl
Language of instruction	English
Goals	* Understanding the micro- and macro-economic foundation of labour markets * Understanding the role and impact of different labour market institutions * Understanding recent developments and policies with respect to labour markets such as technological change, discrimination, immigration, gender and income inequality * Being able to critically discuss empirical labour market studies
Description	People generate a large share of their income through working. The labour market is therefore a very crucial market in the economy, with important social consequences for unemployment, poverty, income inequality, gender differences. However, the labour market does not function as perfectly as assumed in most macro- and micro-economic models and there are many institutions influencing the functioning of the labour market, because of its social consequences. In this course, these imperfect labour markets and their institutions are studied to obtain a better understanding on how labour markets function and fail, and how certain policies can affect people lives.
Literature	Tito Boeri and Jan van Ours, The Economics of Imperfect Labor Markets.
Prerequisites	This course is in transition for the bachelor Fiscal Economics. See the Bachelor Education and Examination Regulations for more information. The following rule applies to bachelor Fiscal Economics students. TRANSITIONAL REGULATION (EBC2173): The bachelor Fiscal Economics has been discontinued. There will be repeat education for year 1 and year 2 courses up to and including academic year 2025-2026 and exam-only up to and including academic year 2026-2027. For year 3 courses there will be repeat education up to and including 2026-2027 and exam-only up to and including academic year 2027-2028. Whether a course is in transition, cancelled, or replaced may depend on the cohort you are in. Sometimes there are additional criteria. It is therefore very important to carefully read the EER and any addendum so you can apply the rules to your individual situation. PREREQUISITES: Intermediate knowledge in macro- and microeconomic theory, introductory level of statistics, an advanced level of English.
Keywords	Labour economics; institutions; income inequality
Teaching methods	PBL / 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 Economics and Business Economics - Economics	Year 2 Compulsory Course(s)
Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - Emerging Markets	Year 2 Elective Course(s)
Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - Emerging Markets	Year 3 Elective Course(s)
Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - Economics and Management of Information	Year 2+3 Elective Course(s)
Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - International Business Economics	Year 3 Core Course(s) - Maj Macro
Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - International Business Economics	Year 3 Economics Elec(s) - Maj Accounting
Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - International Business Economics	Year 3 Economics Elec(s) - Maj Finance
Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - International Business Economics	Year 3 Economics Elec(s) - Maj Inf Mgmt
Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - International Business Economics	Year 3 Economics Elec(s) - Maj Marketing
Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - International Business Economics	Year 3 Economics Elec(s) - Maj Org
Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - International Business Economics	Year 3 Economics Elec(s) - Maj SCM
Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - International Business Economics	Year 3 Economics Elec(s) - Maj Strategy
Bachelor Fiscal Economics	Transitional Regulation
SBE Exchange Bachelor	Bachelor Exchange Courses
SBE Exchange Master	Bachelor Exchange Courses
SBE Non Degree Courses	Bachelor Courses