

Course Descriptions None 2025-2026

Course Title Corporate Governance
 Course Code EBC2020
 ECTS Credits 6,5
 Assessment Whole/Half Grades

Period	Start	End	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
4	2-2-2026	27-3-2026	X		X		

Level Intermediate
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Language of instruction English

Goals This course provides students with a comprehensive overview of the myriad of issues, both theoretical and practical, arising out of the current international debate on creating effective corporate governance. Next to acquiring a comprehensive overview of corporate governance, key learning objectives are to: (1) Develop a deep understanding of the key elements of corporate governance, (2) Acquire general knowledge of institutional differences in corporate governance as well as a general appreciation of many different codes of best practice worldwide; (2) Learn how to apply your knowledge and understanding of corporate governance to real-world problems, and provide well-informed advice and judgments based on relevant academic research; and (4) Learn how to effectively communicate knowledge, advice and judgments on various corporate governance issues.

Description Corporate governance involves a set of relationships between a company's management, its board, its shareholders and other stakeholders, and is a key element in improving economic efficiency and growth as well as enhancing investor confidence. Corporate governance also provides the structure through which the objectives of the company are set, and the means of attaining those objectives and monitoring performance. This course examines various contemporary aspects of corporate governance, including issues relating to responsibility, accountability, sustainability, oversight, risk, ethics and incentives. The course is multi-disciplinary, integrating concepts from the disciplines of accounting, finance, law, economics, and business ethics. It will prove most useful to those seeking a thorough introduction to the subject for both academic and applied purposes.

Literature Textbook and academic articles.

Prerequisites <p>Students enrolling in this course should have previously completed courses that provide basic knowledge of accounting, finance and strategy.</p>

Transitional Regulations <div class="trreg"><div class="subtitle">TRANSITIONAL REGULATIONS</div><ul class="trcohorts">Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - Economics and Management of Information [2024-2025 or earlier]From 2025-2026 onwards, education and exam/resit opportunities are offered.
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Teaching methods PBL / Presentation / Lecture / Papers / Groupwork

Assessment methods Attendance / Participation / Written Exam / Presentation

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 - Emerging Markets	Year 2 Disciplinary Courses
	Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - Economics and Management of Information	In transition - Year 2+3 Elective Courses
	Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - Economics and Management of Information	Year 3 Free Elective
	Bachelor Fiscal Economics	In transition - Year 3 Elective Courses
	Bachelor International Business - Emerging Markets	Year 2 Disciplinary 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