Course Descriptions None 2026-2027

Course Title	Sustainable Development for Emerging Markets
Course Code	EBC2155
ECTS Credits	6,5
Assessment	Whole/Half Grades

Period

Period	Start	End	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
2	26-10-2026	11-12-2026		X			X

Level	Introductory/Intermediate
Coordinator	Karsten Mau For more information:k.mau@maastrichtuniversity.nl
Language of instruction	English
Goals	The purpose is to learn about the process of economic development in emerging economies as well as the role of international organisations and economic policies in achieving development targets. Sustainable development targets include economic growth, but also education, health, gender and income equality, or environmental preservation. How will we achieve this? The course will use economic tools and theories so that, by the end of the course, you should be able to analyze interesting and relevant problems in economic development in a rigorous and critical way, using economic theories, data, and policy instruments.
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Literature	The Economics of Developing and Emerging Markets, 2022 By Charles van Marrewijk, Steven Brakman and Julia Swart https://doi.org/10.1017/9781107338036 ISBN: 9781107618589
Prerequisites	Basic course knowledge in micro-, macro- and international economics.
Keywords	
Transitional Regulations	
Teaching methods	PBL / Presentation / Assignment / Groupwork
Assessment methods	Final Paper / Written Exam / Assignment / 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 Compulsory Courses
Bachelor International Business - Emerging Markets	Year 2 Compulsory Courses