

# Course Descriptions Master 2020-2021

Course Title Institutional Investors  
 Course Code EBC4054  
 ECTS Credits 6,5  
 Assessment Whole/Half Grades

Period	Period	Start	End	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
2	26-10-2020	11-12-2020	X			X		

Level Advanced

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Language of instruction English

Goals Institutional investors like insurance companies, mutual- and pension funds account for more than 75% of all assets on financial markets. In this course students will learn how institutional investors are organized and how they invest on behalf of their clients.

Description PLEASE NOTE THAT THE INFORMATION ABOUT THE TEACHING AND ASSESSMENT METHOD(S) USED IN THIS COURSE IS WITH RESERVATION. THE INFORMATION PROVIDED HERE IS BASED ON THE COURSE SETUP PRIOR TO THE CORONAVIRUS CRISIS. AS A CONSEQUENCE OF THE CRISIS, COURSE COORDINATORS MAY BE FORCED 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.<br /><br />The course studies the strategy, organization and investment process of institutional investors. Among others we cover strategic asset allocation, responsible investing and alternative investments like for instance private equity, real estate, infrastructure and hedge funds. After studying the relevant literature we focus on the practical (real-life) application of these concepts to the largest category of institutional investors; pension funds.

Literature Articles and book chapters (can be downloaded from the Student Portal or in the library). No text book.

Prerequisites Courses and workload are very demanding for all IB Master courses. Exchange students need to have obtained a Bachelor degree in business.  
 Exchange students need to major in finance in their Master.  
 An advanced level of English is necessary.

Teaching methods PBL / Presentation / Lecture / Assignment / Groupwork

Assessment methods 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

Master Business Research - No specialisation	Year 1 Disc - IB Sustainable Finance
Master Business Research - Operations Research	Year 1 Elective Course(s)
Master Business Research - Operations Research	Year 2 Elective Course(s)
Master Financial Economics - Asset Pricing	Compulsory Course(s)
Master Financial Economics - Banking	Elective Course(s)
Master Financial Economics - Financial Analysis	Elective Course(s)
Master Financial Economics - No specialisation	Elective Course(s)
Master Fiscal Economics	Economics Elective(s)
Master International Business - Accounting and Business Information Technology	Elective Course(s)
Master International Business - Entrepreneurship and Business Development	Elective Course(s)
Master International Business - Managerial Decision-Making and Control	Elective Course(s)
Master International Business - Information Management and Business Intelligence	Elective Course(s)
Master International Business - Marketing-Finance	Elective Course(s)
Master International Business - Organisation: Management, Change and Consultancy	Elective Course(s)
Master International Business - Strategic Corporate Finance	Elective Course(s)
Master International Business - Strategic Marketing	Elective Course(s)
Master International Business - Strategy and Innovation	Elective Course(s)
Master International Business - Supply Chain Management	Elective Course(s)
Master International Business - Sustainable Finance	Compulsory Course(s)
SBE Exchange Master	Master Exchange Courses
SBE Non Degree Courses	Master Courses