

## Course Descriptions Master 2020-2021

Course Title                    Macroeconomics I  
 Course Code                    EBC4063  
 ECTS Credits                    6,5  
 Assessment                      Whole/Half Grades

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                                This course is an advanced macroeconomic course. The students are expected to be able to derive and understand the most up-to-date models in international macroeconomics and international finance..

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 goals of this course is to develop a broad coherent framework for thinking about all of the fundamental problems in international macroeconomics. While the classic literature from twenty and thirty years ago can be admired for articulating and attempting to formalize a number of central policy issues, its limitations are many. The classic approach lacks the microfoundations needed for internal consistency, it fails to deal with dynamics in any coherent way, and its vision of capital market integration may generously be described as narrow. Perhaps most importantly, the older literature simply doesn't deal sensibly with many questions that are central to today's policy world, such as current accounts, government budget deficits, speculative attacks, and the implications of the expanding global markets for securities and derivatives. Our goal in this course is to show that one can address virtually all the core issues in international finance within a systematic modern approach that pays attention to the nuances of microfoundations without squeezing all life out of this fascinating topic, following the advanced textbook of Obstfeld & Rogoff, from which the above text is also taken.

Literature                         Obstfeld, Maurice & Kenneth Rogoff, 'Foundations of International Macroeconomics', Cambridge, MA: The MIT Press, 1996..

Prerequisites                      Bachelor International Economic Studies

Teaching methods                PBL / Presentation

Assessment methods              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 Business Research - No specialisation	Year 2 Free Elective(s)
	Master Business Research - Operations Research	Year 1 Elective Course(s)
	Master Business Research - Operations Research	Year 2 Elective Course(s)
	Master Economic and Financial Research - No specialisation	Year 1 Compulsory Course(s)