

## Course Descriptions Bachelor 2023-2024

Course Title                    Macroeconomics and Economic Policy  
 Course Code                    EBC2040  
 ECTS Credits                    6,5  
 Assessment                      Whole/Half Grades

Period	Start	End	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
2	30-10-2023	15-12-2023		X	L		X

Level                                Intermediate  
 Coordinator                      Huub Meijers For more information:huub.meijers@maastrichtuniversity.nl  
 Language of instruction        English

Goals  
 - Deepening of (open economy) macroeconomic models for the short- and medium-run  
 - Deepening the understanding of macroeconomic stabilisation policy in open economies  
 - Relating macroeconomic theories to stylised facts and empirics

Description  
 This course elaborates the macroeconomic topics and theories that have been discussed in the first year. The central question always concerns the coordination between the goods market, the labour market and financial markets in a closed economy framework. Coordination failures play a central role in explaining macroeconomic fluctuations, providing roles for fiscal and monetary policy. The courses starts with a new Keynesian view of macroeconomics, developing theories and models for the short- and medium-run. In the second half we also address criticism to the new Keynesian view and introduce some alternatives. Using recent OECD Economic Outlooks, macroeconomic theory is applied to a wide variety of recent macroeconomic problems and policy dilemmas.

Literature                         Intermediate Macroeconomics, t.b.a.

Prerequisites  
 Knowledge and understanding of first year microeconomics and macroeconomics, like  
 \* Perloff, J.M. (2018), Microeconomics, 8th global edition, Pearson Education  
 \* Blanchard O. (2020), Macroeconomics, Global Edition, 8th edition, Pearson Education

An advanced level of English

Teaching methods                PBL / Lecture / Assignment / Papers / Groupwork / Research

Assessment methods             Attendance / Participation / Written Exam / Assignment

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	Transition Elective Course(s)
SBE Exchange Bachelor	Bachelor Exchange Courses
SBE Exchange Master	Bachelor Exchange Courses
SBE Non Degree Courses	Bachelor Courses