

Course Specifications

Valid as from the academic year 2018-2019

Course size (nominal values; actual values may depend on programme)

Credits 5.0 Study time 150 h Contact hrs 30.0 h

Course offerings and teaching methods in academic year 2018-2019

A (semester 1) Dutch lecture 30.0 h

Lecturers in academic year 2018-2019

Ronsse, Stijn EB21 lecturer-in-charge

Offered in the following programmes in 2018-2019

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Bachelor of Science in Geography and Geomatics (main subject Geography)	5	A
Bachelor of Science in Geography and Geomatics (main subject Surveying)	5	A
Bachelor of Arts in African Languages and Cultures	5	A
Bachelor of Arts in Archaeology	5	A
Bachelor of Arts in Art History, Musicology and Theatre Studies	5	A
Bachelor of Arts in Moral Sciences	5	A
Bachelor of Arts in History	5	A
Bachelor of Arts in East European Languages and Cultures	5	A
Bachelor of Science in Geography and Geomatics	5	A
Joint Section Bachelor of Science in Geography and Geomatics	5	A
Bachelor of Science in Mathematics	6	A
Master of Science in Biochemistry and Biotechnology	5	A
Master of Science in Biochemistry and Biotechnology	5	A
Master of Science in Biology	5	A
Master of Science in Biology	5	A
Master of Science in Chemistry	5	A
Master of Science in Physics and Astronomy	5	A
Master of Science in Geography	5	A
Master of Science in Geology	5	A
Master of Science in Geomatics and Surveying	5	A
Master of Science in Computer Science	5	A
Master of Science in Mathematics	5	A
Master of Arts in Multilingual Business Communication	3	A
Postgraduate programme in Innovation and Entrepreneurship in Engineering	5	A
Linking Course Master of Science in Urbanism and Spatial Planning	5	A
Preparatory Course Master of Science in Complementary Studies in Economics	5	A

Teaching languages

Dutch

Keywords

Introduction to economics

Position of the course

The course aims to explain the basic principles and phenomena of economics, in order for students to understand an economic article in a newspaper or journal. It is the purpose that students would get a better understanding of the economic environment in which companies and households operate.

Contents

The following subjects are stressed:

- Introduction
- Supply and demand I: How markets work
- Supply and demand II: Markets and welfare
- The economics of the public sector
- Firm behaviour and the organization of industry
- The data of macroeconomics
- The real economy in the long run
- Money and prices in the long run
- Short-run economic fluctuations

Initial competences

No prior knowledge or attitudes required, given the introductory nature of the course

Final competences

Knowledge of a number of fundamental economic mechanisms and the ability to apply this knowledge in order to better understand and analyze contemporaneous economic problems.

Conditions for credit contract

Access to this course unit via a credit contract is unrestricted: the student takes into consideration the conditions mentioned in 'Starting Competences'

Conditions for exam contract

Access to this course unit via an exam contract is unrestricted

Teaching methods

Lecture

Learning materials and price

Book: Wegwijs in de economie

References

Any good basic handbook on economics

Course content-related study coaching

assistants of the department

Evaluation methods

end-of-term evaluation

Examination methods in case of periodic evaluation during the first examination period

Written examination with multiple choice questions

Examination methods in case of periodic evaluation during the second examination period

Written examination with multiple choice questions

Examination methods in case of permanent evaluation

Possibilities of retake in case of permanent evaluation

not applicable

Calculation of the examination mark