

29002 - Basic principles of economics and economic structures

Información del Plan Docente

Academic Year	2016/17
Academic center	228 - Facultad de Empresa y Gestión Pública
Degree	429 - Degree in Public Management and Administration
ECTS	12.0
Course	1
Period	Annual
Subject Type	Basic Education
Module	---

1. Basic info

1.1. Recommendations to take this course

1.2. Activities and key dates for the course

2. Initiation

2.1. Learning outcomes that define the subject

2.2. Introduction

3. Context and competences

3.1. Goals

3.2. Context and meaning of the subject in the degree

3.3. Competences

3.4. Importance of learning outcomes

4. Evaluation

5. Activities and resources

5.1. General methodological presentation

The learning process that has been designed for this course is based on the following activities:

In the process of learning, different teaching methods will be used: expository didactic techniques for the theoretical classes and more participatory techniques will also be used. This second type of activities allows student involvement in the learning process and allows the teacher to realise the problems and concerns that may arise in the various topics.

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5.2.Learning activities

The programme offered to the students to help them achieve the learning results includes the following activities:

1: Theoretical Classes: these will consist of lectures, in which the fundamental concepts of the topics of the programme will be explained by the teacher.

2: Practical Classes: two kind of activities will be used:

- Activities to learn theoretical concepts but with the active participation of the students, because they will apply already acquired knowledge to the understanding of new concepts.
- Resolution of practical exercises.

3: Tutorials: they allow a more direct and personal support to students in order to answer questions about the contents of the subject and guide them in their studies and in the resolution of exercises. These tutorials may be individual or in a group.

5.3.Program

Outline of the Programme

FIRST SEMESTER

MODULE I. CONCEPTOS BÁSICOS

Lesson 1. The concept and method of the economy. The basic problems of economic organization

MODULE II. MICROECONOMY

Lesson 2. Consumer behavior and utility theory. Demand for goods and services

Lesson 3. The theory of production. Cost analysis and supply function

Lesson 4. Competitive and non-competitive market

MODULE III. MACROECONOMY

Lesson 5. Basic aggregate magnitudes. Gross Domestic Product inflation and unemployment. Balance of payments. The exchange rate

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Lesson 6. Financing of economic activity and European monetary policy

MODULE IV. PUBLIC SECTOR

Lesson 7. The state's role in today's economies. Market failures and government intervention. The public budget and fiscal policy

SECOND SEMESTER

MODULE I: THE SPANISH ECONOMY: 1959-Present

Lesson 8. Stages and economic changes in Spain

MODULE II: ECONOMIC GROWTH IN THE EUROPEAN STAGE

Lesson 9. Determinants of economic growth

Lesson 10. Spain in the Economic and Monetary Union

MODULE III: PRODUCTIVE STRUCTURE AND COMPETITIVENESS

Lesson 11. The production structure

Lesson 12. Foreign trade

MODULE IV: INSTITUTIONAL ASPECTS

Lesson 13. Labour market

Lesson 14. Financial system

Lesson 15. Public sector

5.4.Planning and scheduling

Calendar of classes and work presentations

The schedule of the theoretical and practical classes and other activities will be communicated by the teacher and

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through the adequate channels.

Training and assessment activities	Distribution	ECTS
CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES	120h	4.8
Theoretical classes	Weekly sessions of 2 hours	2.4
Practical classes	Weekly sessions of 2 hours	2.4
NON-CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES	180h	7.2
Exams		
	5 exams, 10 hours	0,4
Individual work, including preparation of exams	170 hours	6,8

5.5. Bibliography and recommended resources

The updated bibliography can be found in the University Library (go to 'bibliografía recomendada' in '<http://psfunizar7.unizar.es/br13/eBuscar.php?tipo=a>')