



Course syllabus

School of Business and Economics
Department of Economics and Statistics

2NA050 Arbetsmarknadsekonomi, 7,5 högskolepoäng
Labour Economics, 7.5 credits

Main field of study

Economics

Subject

Economics

Level

First cycle

Progression

G2F

Date of Ratification

Approved 2015-05-13.

Revised 2024-06-17. Revision of prerequisites and updating of standard texts.

The course syllabus is valid from spring semester 2025.

Prerequisites

Economics 60 credits, including Essential mathematics for business and economics 7.5 credits, Econometrics 7.5 credits, Uncertainty and strategic decision making 7.5 credits and Economic growth and business cycle 7.5 credits, and Statistics 15 credits or course credits in time series analysis and regression analysis, or the equivalent. English 6, or the equivalent.

Objectives

After completing this course the student should be able to:

- explain key concepts in labour economics and their context
- explain economic theories in labour economics

- apply economic theory to research questions in labour economics

Content

The course covers for example labor supply and demand, labour market equilibria, compensating wage differentials, human capital, wage structure, discrimination, unions, incentive pay, and unemployment.

Type of Instruction

The teaching consists of lectures and exercises.

Examination

The course is assessed with the grades A, B, C, D, E or F.

The course is examined through an individual written examination 5 credits and an individual written report that is presented and discussed at a seminar along with opposition to other students' reports 2.5 credits.

The grade A constitutes the highest grade on the scale and the remaining grades follow in descending order where the grade E is the lowest grade on the scale that will result in a pass. The grade F means that the student's performance is assessed as fail.

Resit examination is offered in accordance with Linnaeus University's Local regulations for courses and examination at the first- and second-cycle levels.

In the event that a student with a disability is entitled to special study support, the examiner will decide on adapted or alternative examination arrangements

Course Evaluation

A course evaluation should be conducted during the course or in connection with its conclusion. The results and analysis of the completed course evaluation should be promptly communicated to students who have completed the course. Students participating in the next course instance should be informed of the results of the previous course evaluation and any improvements that have been made, no later than at the start of the course.

Overlap

The course cannot be included in a degree along with the following course/courses of which the content fully, or partly, corresponds to the content of this course: 1NA004:4, 2NA000, 2NA03E:1, 2NA030 and 2NA12E:1 with 7.5 credits each.

Required Reading and Additional Study Material

Required reading

Borjas, G. J. *Labour Economics*. McGraw-Hill. Latest edition. About 500 pages.

Scientific articles. About 100 pages.