



Course syllabus

School of Business and Economics
Department of Economics and Statistics

2NA12E Fördjupad nationalekonomi II inklusive examensarbete (kandidat), 30 högskolepoäng

Intermediate Economics II including Degree Project (Bachelor), 30 credits

Main field of study

Economics

Subject

Economics

Level

First cycle

Progression

G2E

Date of Ratification

Approved 2015-05-27.

Revised 2024-06-07. Revision of the title of module 3 (also in the set of examination) and updating of standard texts.

The course syllabus is valid from spring semester 2025.

Prerequisites

Economics 60 credits, including Mathematical Economics II 7.5 credits, Econometrics 7.5 credits, Intermediate Microeconomics 7.5 credits and Intermediate Macroeconomics 7.5 credits, and Statistics 15 credits or course credits in time series analysis and regression analysis, and English 6, or the equivalent.

Objectives

Module 1: Labour Economics, 7.5 credits

After completing this module 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

Module 2: Economics of Migration, 7.5 credits

After completing this module the student should be able to:

- explain key concepts and their context in economics of migration
- explain and apply theories in economics of migration
- explain and apply empirical methods to answer relevant research questions in economics of migration

Module 3: Economics, Degree Project (Bachelor), 15 credits

After completing this module the student should be able to:

- identify and formulate a relevant research question within a specialized part of Economics
- search for, choose and assess scientific studies relevant to the study
- motivate the choice of relevant theory and apply it on the selected research question
- motivate the choice of relevant method and apply it on the selected research question
- analyze and answer the selected research question based on the chosen theory and method
- in writing and on time, account for the points above in a linguistically and scientifically correct way
- orally scientifically present, communicate and defend the results
- orally in a popular scientific way present and communicate the results
- scientifically review and, in a constructive way, criticize other relevant studies

Content

Module 1: Labour Economics 7.5 credits

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

Module 2: Economics of Migration 7.5 credits

The module contains for example the returns to migration, selection in migration, the impact of immigration on native wages and employment, immigrants' labour market integration, ethnic discrimination, intergenerational mobility, immigrant self-employment, and residential segregation.

Module 3: Economics, Degree Project (Bachelor) 15 credits

The module implies writing, in consultation with a supervisor, and presenting an individual scientific degree project. Each student will also critically review and act as an opponent on another degree project.

Type of Instruction

Module 1: Labour Economics, 7.5 credits

The teaching consists of lectures, exercises, and seminars.

Module 2: Economics of Migration, 7.5 credits

The teaching consists of lectures, data laborations and seminars.

Module 3: Economics, Degree Project (Bachelor), 15 credits

The teaching consists of lectures, tutoring and seminars.

Examination

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

Module 1: Labour Economics, 7.5 credits

The module is examined through a written examination, an individually written report that is presented and discussed at a seminar, and discussion of other students' report.

Module 2: Economics of Migration, 7.5 credits

The module is examined through active participation at discussion seminars, a lab report, and a written examination.

Module 3: Economics, Degree Project (Bachelor), 15 credits

The course objectives are examined a seminar series of oral and written presentations/defense, as well as a written master's degree report (15 credits). The examination includes oral and written oppositions on degree projects, as well as a seminar series of individual mini-oppositions.

For students who do not participate in regular seminars or students whose dissertation is not approved, even after completion, there is possibility of repeat examination by the next regular course date. Resit examination is offered in accordance with Linnaeus University's Local regulations for courses and examination at the first- and second-cycle levels. The date of repeat examination will be announced no later than at the final seminar. If the degree project does not reach a passing grade at the end of the course, the student's right to further tutoring ceases.

The following applies to all modules:

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.

The grade of the course is a combined assessment from the grades of the various course modules. The combined assessment is based on the grades and the scope of the course (30 credits). The more extensive a module is, the greater impact it will have on the final grade. Module grades with the grading scale between G-U will not be considered into the combined assessment. However, a G is required for each of the modules in order to receive a final course grade.

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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:

2NA03E with 30 credits.

2NA12E:1 overlaps 2NA050, 2NA030, 2NA002 and 1NA004:4 with 7.5 credits each.

2NA12E:2 overlaps 2NA051 and 2NA031 with 7.5 credits each.

2NA12E:3 overlaps 2NA13E, 2NA11E and 2NA10E with 15 credits each.

Required Reading and Additional Study Material

Module 1: Labour Economics 7.5 credits

Required reading

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

Scientific articles. About 100 pages.

Module 2: Economics of Migration 7.5 credits

Required reading

Scientific articles. About 500 pages.

Module 3: Economics, Degree Project (Bachelor) 15 credits

Required reading

McCloskey, D.N. *Economical Writing*. Waveland Press. Latest edition. About 110 pages.

Neugeboren, R. *Student's Guide to Writing Economics*. Routledge. Latest edition. About 100 pages.

Other literature, about 1000 pages, is selected in consultation with the supervisor.