Module description

Module title					Abbreviation	
International Economics					12-IntÖk-242-m01	
Module coordinator				Module offered by		
holder of the Chair of International Economics				Faculty of Management and Economics		
ECTS	Meth	od of grading	Only after succ. cor	Only after succ. compl. of module(s)		
5	nume	rical grade				
Duration		Module level	Other prerequisites	Other prerequisites		
1 semester		undergraduate				
Contents						

Content

The course starts with an introduction into facts, trends and issues pertaining to the real side of globalization. The main part of the course deals with explanations of international trade (comparative advantage, product variety) and for international factor movements (if time permits). Current issues and controversies (e.g. globalization and labor; globalization and the environment; migration within the European Union) are analyzed on this background.

Outline

I nternational Economics – Trends and current developments

II Internationale Trade

- 1 Ricardian Theory: Labor productivity and comparative advantage
- 2 Heckscher-Ohlin-factor proportion theory and the general neoclassical model
- 3 New Trade Theory: Product differentiation, scale economies, firm heterogeneity
- III International Factor Movements [time permitting]

Literature

This course does not strictly follow a single textbook. The best general reference is:

Krugman, P.R., M. Obstfeld, M.J. Melitz (2018), International Economics. Theory and policy (older versions will also do).

The course develops case studies that use additional references.

Intended learning outcomes

The students acquire the ability to critically reflect and understand trends and developments concerning the real side of the world economy: trade flows and international factor movements. They are enabled to understand and defend the causes and consequences of globalization both analytically as well as in an intuitive manner. They acquire the scientific knowledge to evaluate controversies associated with the ongoing deepening of the international division of labor.

 $\textbf{Courses} \ (\textbf{type}, \, \textbf{number of weekly contact hours, language} - \textbf{if other than German})$

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Module taught in: German and/or English

Method of assessment (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module is creditable for bonus)

written examination (approx. 60 minutes)

Language of assessment: German and/or English

creditable for bonus

Allocation of places

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Additional information

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Module description

Workload

150 h

Teaching cycle

Teaching cycle: summer semester

Referred to in LPO I (examination regulations for teaching-degree programmes)

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Module appears in

Module studies (Bachelor) Business Management and Economics (2019)

Module studies (Bachelor) Orientierungsstudien (2020)

Bachelor's degree (1 major) Business Information Systems (2024)

Bachelor's degree (1 major) Economathematics (2024)

Bachelor's degree (1 major) Business Management and Economics (2024)

Bachelor's degree (1 major, 1 minor) Business Management and Economics (Minor, 2024)

Bachelor's degree (1 major) Digital Business & Data Science (2024)

Bachelor's degree (1 major) Economathematics (2025)

Master's degree (1 major) China Business and Economics (2025)

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