

Module title		Abbreviation
European Macroeconomic Policy		12-M-EMP-132-m01
Module coordinator		Module offered by
holder of the Chair of Monetary Policy and International Economics		Faculty of Business Management and Economics
ECTS	Method of grading	Only after succ. compl. of module(s)
5	numerical grade	--
Duration	Module level	Other prerequisites
1 semester	graduate	--
Contents		
<p>Description: The course provides students with an overview of the macroeconomic conditions and consequences of European integration and monetary union. The course thus helps students gain a deeper understanding of the current crisis in the euro area as well as the debate on the future of European economic integration.</p> <p>Content: The first part of the course provides students with an overview of the history of European integration with a focus on economic and monetary integration. We then discuss the institutional framework of the European Monetary System, the predecessor of the euro area in the period from 1979 to 1998. Next, the criteria for admission to the European Monetary Union (EMU) and the monetary policy strategy of the European Central Bank will be presented and discussed. Building on the traditional Mundell-Fleming model, the course will make students familiar with the theory of the optimum monetary area and will then provide them with deeper insights into this theory on the basis of a simple New Keynesian model. Students will thus be able to make a well-founded assessment of the advantages and disadvantages of monetary union as well as the conditions under which monetary union can be successful. In the final part of the course, we analyse the coordination and incentive problems that arise for fiscal policy in a monetary union. In particular, we deal with the question of how these issues are addressed within the European Monetary Union. Current macroeconomic developments within the euro area as well as the causes and consequences of the euro crisis are discussed at various points in the course.</p>		
Intended learning outcomes		
After completing this course students will have gained a profound understanding of the costs and benefits of monetary integration in general and specifically in the EMU. Thus, they will enhance their general macroeconomic understanding by applying it to real world problems. In addition, students will have knowledge of the institutions of common fiscal and monetary policy in Europe.		
Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)		
V + Ü (no information on SWS (weekly contact hours) and course language available)		
Method of assessment (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module is creditable for bonus)		
a) written examination (approx. 60 minutes) or b) term paper (approx. 15 pages) Language of assessment: German, English		
Allocation of places		
Number of places: 30, thereof 10 places for Master's students of Business Management and Master's students of Economics assigned as described below and 10 places each for Master's students of Applied Human Geography and Master's students of Political and Social Sciences, assigned by lot. (1) Should the number of applications exceed the number of available places, places will be allocated in a standardised procedure among all applicants irrespective of their subjects according to the following quotas: Quota 1 (50% of places): total number of ECTS credits already achieved in the respective degree subject; among applicants with the same number of ECTS credits achieved, places will be allocated by lot. Quota 2 (25% of places): number of subject semesters of the respective applicant; among applicants with the same number of subject semesters, places will be allocated by lot. Quota 3 (25% of places): allocation by lot. In this procedure, applicants who already have successfully completed at least one module component of the respective module will be given preferential consideration. (2) Pla-		

ces on all courses of the module component with a restricted number of places will be allocated in the same procedure. (3) A waiting list will be maintained and places re-allocated as they become available.

Additional information

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Workload

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

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Module appears in

Master's degree (1 major) Business Information Systems (2013)

Master's degree (1 major) Business Information Systems (2014)

Master's degree (1 major) Media Communication (2014)

Master's degree (1 major) Business Management (2013)

Master's degree (1 major) Business Management (2014)

Master's degree (1 major) Economics (2014)

Master's degree (1 major) Economics (2013)