Module title: Macroeconomics 1 - Specific Studies
Abbreviation: 12-Mak1-SP-111-m01

Module coordinator:
holder of the Chair of International Macroeconomics

Module offered by:
Faculty of Business Management and Economics

ECTS: 5
Method of grading: numerical grade
Only after succ. compl. of module(s): --

Duration: 1 semester
Module level: undergraduate
Other prerequisites: --

Contents:
This module covers basic macroeconomic relationships, the declaration of employment, production, interest, current and capital account, nominal and real exchange rate, prices and inflation - in the long run (with flexible wages and prices) and in the short term (with fixed wages and prices). The course will familiarise students with concepts which are of central importance in a globalised environment (e.g. interest rate arbitrage, foreign exchange risk, purchasing power parity). The explanations will be applied to current issues (e.g. current account balances in the global economy; questions related to the European monetary union and the global financial crisis).

Outline of syllabus:
1. Macroeconomic issues and characteristics
   - Issues of macroeconomics
   - The measurement of economic activity
2. Long-term relationships
   - The classic long-term model of the closed economy
   - Money and Inflation
   - The classic long-term model of a small open economy
   - Unemployment
3. Short and medium-term relationships
   - Fluctuations of economic activity: an introduction
   - The IS-LM model of a closed economy
   - The IS-LM model of an open economy
   - Aggregate supply and Phillips curve
   - Conclusion and outlook

Reading:
The latest editions of the following textbooks:
N. Gregory Mankiw: Macroeconomics [students are recommended to read the original English edition; they may also read the German translation]
Olivier Blanchard and David H. Johnson, Macroeconomics Prentice Hall; [a German-language edition of the book by Oliver Blanchard and Gerhard Illing is available from Pearson Studium].
Michael Burda and Charles Wyplosz: Macroeconomics. A European text.
To illustrate the lecture, case studies in particular will be developed in which more current sources are used.

Intended learning outcomes:
This expertise enables the students to penetrate economically-intuitively and analytically macroeconomic interactions and problems in the course of advancing globalization and to deal with these arguments. Students learn to interpret on a scientific basis the impact of macroeconomic developments in individual economic actors (businesses, households, the state).

Courses:
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