

Labour Economics

Module Code: ECU44112

Module Name: Labour Economics

• ECTS weighting: 10

• Semester/term taught: Semester 2

Contact Hours: 22 hours of lectures and 4 hours of tutorials

Module Personnel: Lecturer – Professor Selim Gulesci

Module Learning Aims

The module covers a range of topics in the field of Labour Economics. The central aim of the course is to understand how labour markets work, and how they are affected by institutions and labour market policies.

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this module, students should be able to:

- Identify and understand key issues related to the field of Labour Economics;
- Formulate a balanced, critical judgment on the status of the debate around these issues;
- Confidently discuss papers in the field of Labour Economics;
- Critically evaluate contributions to the field of Labour Economics;

Module Content

The module will present key theoretical models and related empirical evidence that shape our understanding of how labour markets work. The focus will be mostly on the micro-level and the lectures will build around the evidence provided by the most recent empirical research in the field. It is envisaged that the following topics will be covered:

- Introduction to Labor Economics
- Labor Supply
- Labor Demand
- Labor Market Equilibrium
- Human Capital
- Migration



- Labour Market Discrimination
- Unemployment

Recommended Reading List

The text book for the module is *Labour Economics* by George J. Borjas, McGraw Hill. The text book will be supplemented by academic papers that will be discussed in lectures and tutorials. A detailed reading list will be provided at the start of the term.

Module Pre Requisite

ECU22011 and ECU22012 Intermediate Economics

Assessment Details

- 30% Referee report
- 70% Exam

Module Website

Blackboard