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Faculty of Economic Sciences, Communication and IT Economics

Syllabus

Course Approval

The syllabus was approved by the Faculty Board of Economic Sciences, Communication and IT on 13 December 2007, and is valid from the Spring semester of 2008 at Karlstad University.

Course Code: NEGC15

Economic Growth, 7.5 ECTS Credits

(Ekonomisk tillväxt/Makroekonomi, 7.5 Swedish credit points)

Degree Level: Bachelor Progression Level: C

Language of Instruction

The language of instruction is English if so required by international students or teachers, otherwise Swedish.

Prerequisites

Economics, 60 ECTS Credits

Major Field of Study

Economics

Aims

Upon completion of the course, students should be able to describe:

- various models of economic growth
- various theories of consumption and work supply
- how the migration of labor and capital affects the production per capita in the countries of emigration and immigration within the framework of the neoclassical growth model
- how corruption and democracy affect economic development
- how the distribution of income affects the size of the public sector and economic development
- how economic growth affects the environmental quality.

Course Content

The course is divided into two elements. The first covers theories of economic growth and the second covers empirical analysis of economic growth.

Reading List

See separate document.

Examination

Examination is in the form of written exam and an empirical hand-in assignment.

Grades

One of the grades Fail (U), Pass (G), or Distinction (VG) is awarded in the examination of the course. International students are awarded a grade on the ECTS grading scale A-F, where the grade E is the lowest pass-grade.

Quality Assurance

Follow-up relating to learning conditions and goal-fulfilment takes place both during and upon completion of the course in order to ensure continuous improvement. Course assessment is based on student views and experiences as reported in written course evaluations and/or group discussions. Students will be informed of the result of the evaluation and of the measures to be taken.

Course Certificate

A course certificate will be provided upon request.

Additional Information

Students who enrolled before 1 July 2007 will complete their studies in accordance with the requirements of the earlier admission. Upon completion students may request degree and course certificates to be issued under the current ordinance if they meet its requirements.

The course essentially overlaps with NEAD16, the difference is that NEAD16 also includes a research proposal where most work is done individually.

Overlapping courses cannot be included in the degree.

The local regulations for studies at the Bachelor's and Master's levels at Karlstad University, ref. C2007/368, stipulate the obligations and rights of students and staff.