



BA SCHOOL OF
BUSINESS AND FINANCE

Prof. Bachelor studiju programma ``Business process management``

DESCRIPTION OF A STUDY COURSE

Course unit title	Economics			
Programme	Business process management			
Year of study	1			
Academic year	2022./2023.			
Level of course unit	Bachelor			
Course unit code	BP022			
Name of lecturer(s)				
Credit points	4			
Number of ECTS credits allocated	6			
Language of instruction	Latvian or English			
Type of course unit (compulsory, optional)	Compulsory			
Semester when the course unit is delivered	2			
Mode of delivery	full-time education			
Aim of Course	The goal of the course is to provide students with the comprehension of the regularities in principles of the market and behavior of market participants and the comprehension about the objectives of economic activity in the level of macro and microeconomics, about the economical processes and their indicators and correlations, and about the possibilities and means to affect the economical processes.			
Preliminary knowledge	Business English	Mathematics		

Course contents	No	Title	
	1	Key issues of economics in the 21st century. (New Economy, MemeNomika, Green and Blue Economy, CiC Economy, Shadow economy, Conscience Economics)	
	2	Introduction in the Microeconomics.	
	3	Rational behaviour of the consumer.	
	4	Behaviour of the producer.	
	5	The main macroeconomic indicators and their interrelation.	
	6	Economic growth and sustainable development.	
	7	Structure of economy.	
	8	Fiscal and monetary policies.	
The study course calendar	No	Topic	Type of assessment
	1	Key issues of economics in the 21st century.	Group work and the presentation
	2	Introduction in the Microeconomics.	Test
	3	Rational behaviour of the consumer.	Written exam
	4	Behaviour of the producer.	Individual work; Individual work and the presentation
	5	The main macroeconomic indicators and their interrelation.	Individual work; Individual work and the presentation
	6	Economic growth and sustainable development.	Literature discussion
	7	Structure of economy.	Active participation in the class
	8	Fiscal and monetary policies.	Active participation in the class
	9	Exam	Written exam

Planned learning activities and teaching methods	Assessment of learning outcomes		Distribution (%)			
	Test		25%			
	Individual work; Individual work and the presentation		15%			
	Group work and the presentation		15%			
	Literature discussion		15%			
	Written exam		30%			
	Total (%):		100%			
	Teaching methods		Student workload (h)			
	Classes in the auditorium		32			
	Work in the library		50			
	Lecturer-led class discussion		24			
	Industry representative -led discussion panel		14			
	Lecturer-led Individual assignments		40			
	Total (h):		160			
Planned learning outcomes	No	Learning outcomes			No of progr. study	
	1	Ability to demonstrate the knowledge of main economic indicators and their correlations			1	
	2	Ability to select and summarize the information needed for the solution of the problem, ability to analyse and synthesize.			1	
	3	Ability to work in group for the solution of the problem, the organization of the allocation of responsibilities and the work of the group.			8	
	4	Ability to study literature in English and Latvian, with the ability to identify the main statements and give summary about the literature both verbally and in written form.			9	
Assessment methods and criteria	Learning outcomes		1	2	3	4
	Assessment methods					
	Test		•	•	•	•
	Individual work; Individual work and the presentation			•		•
	Group work and the presentation			•		
	Literature discussion		•		•	•
Written exam		•	•	•	•	
<p>Mandatory literature: Principles of Microeconomics (2017) 2e by OpenStax is licensed under Creative Commons Attribution License v4.0 Web Version https://openstax.org/details/books/principles-microeconomics-2e?Book%20details Ch.1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7. 2. Principles of Macroeconomics for AP® (2017) Courses 2e by OpenStax is licensed under Creative Commons Attribution License v4.0 https://openstax.org/details/books/principles-macroeconomics-ap-courses-2e Ch.1, 2, 5, 6, 7.</p> <p>Supplementary literature: •Latvijas Bankas mājas lapa www.bank.lv;</p>						

Mandatory and supplementary literature

- <https://www.makroekonomika.lv/>
- Finanšu ministrijas mājas lapa www.fm.gov
- Ekonomikas ministrijas mājas lapa www.em.gov.lv Dawlabani, Said Elias MEMEconomics, New York : SelectBooks, Inc., [2013]. xvi, 284 New York : SelectBooks, Inc., [2013]. xvi, 284 pages.
- Latvijas Centrālās statistikas pārvaldes mājas lapa www.csb.gov.lv
- Eurostat mājas lapa <https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat>
- Federal Reserve Bank <https://fred.stlouisfed.org/> 6th Annual Green Economics Conference Green Economics. The Economics of Anthropocene Oxford : Green Economics institute, c2011. 345 p.
- Overman, Steven The conscience economy Brookline, MA : Bibliomotion, 2014. xxvi,190
- Circular economy and sustainable development enterprises New York, NY : Springer Berlin Heidelberg, c2018. xv, 304 pages.
- Entrepreneurship and the shadow economy Cheltenham, UK : Edward Elgar Publishing, c2016. 235 p.
- Creative economy. Report 2008 UNCTAD, c2008. 332 lpp.
- Pauli, Gunters. Zilā ekonomika 3.0 Rīga : Zvaigzne ABC, <https://www.un.org/development/desa/socialperspectiveondevelopment/issues/social-and-solidarity-economy.html>
- Diane Mulcahy, The Gig Economy: The Complete Guide to Getting Better Work, Taking More Time Off, and Financing the Life You Want Kindle Edition Kindle Edition. 241n (case

Evaluation criteria of learning outcomes.	
Grade	Explanation
<i>10 (outstanding)</i>	Knowledge, exceeding curriculum requirements, attests independent research and deep understanding of a problem
<i>9 (excellent)</i>	Complete acquaintance with curriculum requirements, ability to apply gained knowledge independently
<i>8 (very good)</i>	Complete acquaintance with curriculum requirements, though at times lacks deeper understanding and ability to affiliate gained knowledge with more complicated issues.
<i>7 (good)</i>	Curriculum requirements mastered, although less important knowledge gaps can be detected
<i>6 (above average)</i>	Acquaintance with curriculum requirements, though lack of problem understanding in detail can sometimes be detected
<i>5 (average)</i>	General knowledge of curriculum requirements although lacks understanding of several problems in general
<i>4 (below average)</i>	General knowledge of curriculum requirements, competence corresponds to minimum of curriculum requirements, problematic application of gained knowledge in practice
<i>3 (weak)</i>	General knowledge of a curriculum gained, though a complete lack of orientation in other relevant issues is detected. Additional studies required to get an assessment.
<i>2 (very weak)</i>	General knowledge on certain relevant issues in a curriculum gained, curricula requirements are not completed on average
<i>1 (extremely weak)</i>	A complete lack of basic curricula requirements is detected, almost no knowledge on a basic curriculum