COURSE DETAIL

ECONOMIC POLICY AND THE WELFARE STATE
Country Denmark
Host Institution University of Copenhagen
Program(s) University of Copenhagen
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Political Science Economics
UCEAP Course Number 119
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title ECONOMIC POLICY AND THE WELFARE STATE
UCEAP Transcript Title ECON PLCY & WELFARE
UCEAP Quarter Units 6.00
UCEAP Semester Units 4.00

Course Description

This course focuses on economic policy and the welfare state in Denmark through international comparison and examples from other developed countries. It covers classic welfare state topics as well as more recent themes and challenges to modern welfare states, focusing especially on the expenditure side of government. The course has an emphasis on recent empirical research on policy issues, and a focus on how to take theory to the data, critically evaluate the validity of empirical designs, and account for policy implications of research results. Each topic looks at economic facts and status quo policies in Denmark and elsewhere, works with the theoretical framework and economic reasoning behind these policies, discusses empirical evidence and evaluations of “what works” in terms of policy in that area, and covers views from the public debate. The course provides an academic foundation for thinking about different policy questions; an understanding of policy in an applied context and as part of the political system and the public debate; an overview of contemporary economic issues related to the welfare state and public sector in Denmark and other developed countries; and an opportunity for students to think as economists about these issues and account for potential challenges, trade-offs, and solutions in an academic way.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty
Faculty of Social Sciences

Host Institution Degree
Bachelor

Host Institution Department
Department of Economics

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