

# COURSE DETAIL

## ECONOMIC EVOLUTION OF CITIES AND REGIONS

**Country**

Netherlands

**Host Institution**

Utrecht University

**Program(s)**

Utrecht University

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Geography Economics

**UCEAP Course Number**

112

**UCEAP Course Suffix****UCEAP Official Title**

ECONOMIC EVOLUTION OF CITIES AND REGIONS

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

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**UCEAP Quarter Units**

6.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

4.00

## Course Description

There are important differences in terms of economic dynamics between cities and regions. The question of why some areas tend to be wealthier than others, and how these differences in wealth change over time, is crucial. This course analyzes the economic success and failure of cities and regions according to the main economic theories of regional growth. Building on theories and concepts from previous courses, students start with agglomeration theories. Then traditional growth theories of convergence and divergence, the basic concepts of evolutionary theory and its application to the spatial dynamics of industries, economic growth, and the spatial dynamics of innovation networks are considered. Special attention is devoted to the spatial-economic and industrial and innovation policy in the Netherlands and the European Union. Students organize a seminar with people from the academic, policy, and business world.

### Language(s) of Instruction

English

### Host Institution Course Number

GEO3-3206

### Host Institution Course Title

ECONOMIC EVOLUTION OF CITIES AND REGIONS

### Host Institution Campus

### Host Institution Faculty

Geosciences

### Host Institution Degree

### Host Institution Department

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