

COURSE DETAIL

PUBLIC ECONOMICS

Country

Netherlands

Host Institution

Maastricht University - University College Maastricht

Program(s)

University College Maastricht

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Economics

UCEAP Course Number

102

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

PUBLIC ECONOMICS

UCEAP Transcript Title

PUBLIC ECONOMICS

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

Public Economics (or Public Finance) deals with the formulation, execution and effects of government policy, or more generally with non-market mediated policies. This course provides basic knowledge of the functioning and the economic significance of the public sector with an emphasis on international aspects. Some of the topics to be dealt with in the course are: governmental decision-making on the national and international level, role and management of the state in times of globalization and transnational threats like global warming and international terrorism, important issues pertaining to government expenditure, taxation, and other activities (like public goods, international institutions, education, social security, health care), and mechanisms of political influence (elections and lobbying). These issues are analyzed from a normative -welfare economic- as well as from a positive -explanatory- perspective, with emphasis on the relevance and limitation of traditional economic theory.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

SSC2052

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Host Institution Campus

University College Maastricht

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Social Sciences

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