

COURSE DETAIL

LABOR ECONOMICS

Country

Netherlands

Host Institution

Utrecht University

Program(s)

Utrecht University

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Economics

UCEAP Course Number

114

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

LABOR ECONOMICS

UCEAP Transcript Title

LABOR ECONOMICS

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

Labor Economics examines many topics, ranging from the micro-economic behavior resulting in labor supply and demand to macroeconomic questions such as inequality and unemployment. Examples of questions that are addressed in this course are: What is the impact of welfare programs on labor supply? What is the impact of wage subsidies for firms on labor demand and labor market equilibrium? What is the impact of the minimum wage on employment and wages? What is the impact of immigration on employment and wages of natives? Why do educated workers earn more? In addition to outlining theories that can answer these and other questions, the course also provides an overview of empirical methodologies used in labor economics. Besides lectures, students further familiarize themselves with these theories and methods through applications and exercises in tutorials. The topics discussed include: the impact of Artificial Intelligence on labor markets, the rise of non-standard work such as online job platforms, the feasibility of a universal basic income, the gender wage gap, migration, the fall in the labor share, local labor market adjustments from globalization and digitization, the impact of work on family structure and fertility, and the impact of work on voting and the rise of political populism. Note that these topics are currently discussed not only by labor economists but by scholars from many different disciplines, allowing for papers to pursue a multi-disciplinary approach.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

ECB3ARBE

Host Institution Course Title

LABOR ECONOMICS

Host Institution Campus

Law, Economics and Governance

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Economics

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