

COURSE DETAIL

SOCIETY THROUGH THE LENS OF ECONOMISTS

Country

Netherlands

Host Institution

Maastricht University - School of Business and Economics

Program(s)

Business and Economics, Maastricht

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Sociology Economics

UCEAP Course Number

114

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

SOCIETY THROUGH THE LENS OF ECONOMISTS

UCEAP Transcript Title

SOCIETY THRU ECON

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

Discrimination, crime, marriage, fertility, education, or religion are all examples of key parts of our societies. The behavior of people and the design of institutions in these social contexts have major consequences for society (including policy and the economy as a whole). Economists claim that the economic approach is useful in explaining human behavior and social interactions in such settings and hence helps to better understand the functioning of societies. This in turn helps to design policies helping to achieve societal goals. This course analyzes different social phenomena through the lens of economists. It trains students to understand and analyze a wide range of social phenomena from an economic point of view and to investigate and interpret these issues empirically. In particular, students are given a thorough understanding of how social phenomena can be analyzed from an economic perspective and they get an introduction to econometric tools with which empirical claims about causality can be established.

PREREQUISITES: Basic understanding of economic theory and quantitative methods, an advanced level of English.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

EBC2194

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SOCIETY THROUGH THE LENS OF ECONOMISTS

Host Institution Campus

Maastricht University

Host Institution Faculty

School of Business and Economics

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

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