COURSE DETAIL

LONG-RUN EFFECTS OF NATURAL DISASTERS
Country Germany
Host Institution Free University of Berlin
Program(s) Free University Berlin
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Economics
UCEAP Course Number 111
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title LONG-RUN EFFECTS OF NATURAL DISASTERS
UCEAP Transcript Title EFFCTS NAT DISASTRS
UCEAP Quarter Units 5.50
UCEAP Semester Units 3.70

Course Description

The course explores the long-term socio-economic consequences of exposure to natural disasters, focusing on the level of the individual. It consists of two complementary classes that have to be taken together. The first part of the course provides students with a theoretical foundation for understanding how natural disasters can shape economic and social outcomes over time. It focuses on discussing channels and mechanisms through which the natural environment and disasters or upheaval, in particular, affect individuals. Topics covered include the impact of such disasters on health, education, household income, labor markets, and migration. Students familiarize themselves with underlying microeconomic models, discuss research methods like causal inference strategies, and analyze empirical findings from academic research. The second part of the course is designed to deepen students' understanding of the concepts covered in class through active engagement with empirical studies. Students are required to present and critically discuss academic papers that investigate natural disaster effects using micro-level data. The seminar emphasizes methodological approaches, data sources, and empirical strategies, encouraging students to evaluate the presented research critically and develop their analytical skills.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
32701,32702

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Host Institution Course Details
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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty
Host Institution Degree
Host Institution Department John F Kennedy Institute für Nordamerikastudien
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