

61345 - Economic Growth

Información del Plan Docente

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Faculty / School 109 - Facultad de Economía y Empresa

Degree 525 - Master's in Economics

ECTS 3.0 **Year** 1

Semester Second semester

Subject Type Optional

Module ---

- 1.General information
- 1.1.Introduction
- 1.2. Recommendations to take this course
- 1.3. Context and importance of this course in the degree
- 1.4. Activities and key dates
- 2.Learning goals
- 2.1.Learning goals
- 2.2.Importance of learning goals
- 3. Aims of the course and competences
- 3.1.Aims of the course
- 3.2.Competences
- 4.Assessment (1st and 2nd call)
- 4.1. Assessment tasks (description of tasks, marking system and assessment criteria)
- 5. Methodology, learning tasks, syllabus and resources
- 5.1. Methodological overview

Students will be given in advance the materials to work with in each of session. These materials consist of specific book chapters and papers on the discussed topics. It will require students to read and prepare these materials before each session. During the sessions, the teacher will present the theoretical perspective, and students are excepted to use critical thinking. In addition, different activities of theoretical and practical nature are proposed.



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5.2.Learning tasks

The course includes the following learning tasks:

- Lectures (20 hours): compulsory attendance. Students will work with specific bibliography related to the main paradigms and issues that affect growth and development.
- Autonomous work (47 hours).
- Resolution and presentation of problems and practical cases (8 hours): compulsory attendance. They allow a
 deeper knowledge of economic growth insights. These will be based on the use of international databases, with
 statistical and econometric techniques.

5.3. Syllabus

The course will address the following topics:

Topic 1. Growth and economic development: the big questions

Topic 2. Four growth paradigms

Topic 3. Determinants of wealth differences among countries

Topic 4. Endogenous technical change

Topic 5. The role of human capital

Topic 6. The new facts in economic growth

Topic 7. Globalization and growth

Topic 8. Growth econometrics

Topic 9. The determinants of the institutional quality of the countries

Topic 10. The role of institutions in economic growth

5.4. Course planning and calendar

The course contents, theoretical and practical parts, will be given in 14 weeks. Topics 2, 8, 9, and 10 will require two sessions per topic. The rest of the topics will be taught in one session.

5.5.Bibliography and recommended resources

General references: They will be given through the University library.



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In addition to these general resources, students will have the papers, databases and practices used in each session, available on the Web.