LECON2823-Globalisation and macroeconomic policies

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Credits: 5 ECTS

Objective and content
This course covers a number of topics in international macroeconomics and finance. Note that the title of the course is going to change to: "Globalization and Macroeconomic Policies" The main objective is to enable students to understand issues facing developed and developing countries in the era of globalization.

We will address questions such as: What is the optimum size of a monetary union? Does a nation gain/lose by relinquishing its currency? Why do capital flow more from China and Saudi Arabia to the US and not the reverse? Why have some emerging market economies been accumulation reserves in recent years?


Teaching Method:

I use lectures and cooperative learning: I. I use lectures in order to structure the main ideas of a course and to introduce basic concepts, facts and terminologies related to a topic. For this purpose I make use of slides which I post on webcampus. Moreover, I demonstrate mathematical formulae on the board in class. II. I use cooperative learning to 1. to make students think quickly 2. test immediately the concepts introduced en class 3. for HA and seminar presentations

Support and evaluation

Grades include two parts: 1.Home Assignments and Presentation in class: 20 to 30 % 2. Final Exam: closed book written exam (in English!):the rest

References

6. Journal Articles