

# UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

## **COURSE SYLLABUS**

#### The Modern Firm

2021-1-F7702M030

### Learning objectives

The course provides students with an in-depth methodology to analyze human resource management policies, and thus offers useful tools to understand firm-specific economic problems. The course introduces the students to the main results of the relevant literature, and promotes students' involvement through class presentations of the most relevant topics.

#### **Contents**

The course analyzes the efficient allocation and motivation of employees as well as their development of skills within a company. In addition, the course covers recruiting mechanisms, training strategies and efficient compensation schemes.

### **Detailed program**

Recruitment

Investment in skills

Managing turnover

Performance evaluation
Rewarding performance
Prerequisites
Basic knowledge of microeconomics, statistics and econometrics
Teaching methods
During the Covid-19 emergency, lectures will be offered online (asynchronous). If it will be possible, some course activeities will be delivered in presence.
Assessment methods
Learning outcomes will be assessed through a written exam through the Webex platform. Students are expected to answer true/false questions motivating their answers. They have to demonstrate awareness of the functioning of the mechanism of management of human resources, apply economic theory and concepts, present an economic argument in quantitative terms.
Textbooks and Reading Materials
Lazear, Edward P.; Michael Gibbs (2009). Personnel Economics in Practice. 2ndEdition Wiley
Garibaldi, Pietro (2006). Personnel Economics in imperfect labour markets. Oxford University Press
Semester
First semester
Teaching language
English

