UNIVERSITÀ
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

COURSE SYLLABUS

Topics in Labour Markets

2223-2-F5602M022-F5602M029M

Learning objectives

The course provides students with an in-depth methodology to analyze the functioning of the labour market, and thus offers useful tools to understand economic problems in global contexts. 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 module Topics in Labour Markets:

analyzes first the functioning labor supply, demand and equilibrium of a perfectly competitive labor market; then, it focuses on job-search, unemployment insurance, and minumum wage. Each part will include a review some of the evidence in the literature and discuss empirical applications on labor economics.

Detailed program

Topics in Labour Markets

Labor supply and labor demand in competitive settings.
Job-search and unemployment insurance
Minumum wage
Overview of evidence on labor economics.
Empirical applications.

Prerequisites

Intermediate knowledge of microeconomics, mathematics, statistics and econometrics.

Teaching methods

Lectures

Assessment methods

Topics in Labour Markets

Learning assessment is through a final written exam. The exam consists of two open questions each of which has three sub-questions on the main topics that have been discussed during the course. Sudents that have attended at least 40% of the lectures, can choose to present a journal article, and the presentation will account for 30% of the final mark.

Textbooks and Reading Materials

Topics in Labour Markets:
Cahuc, Pierre, Stéphane Carcillo, and André Zylberberg. Labor economics. MIT press, 2014.

Semester

First semester

Teaching language

English

Sustainable Development Goals

REDUCED INEQUALITIES