



APPLIES TO ACADEMIC YEAR 2007/2008

ORG 2600 Economic Sociology

Program

Bachelor of Science in Business (3. year), Bachelor of Science in Marketing (3. year)

Responsible for the course

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Department

Innovation and Economic Organisation

Term

According to study plan

ECTS Credits

6

Language of instruction

Norwegian

Economic Sociology is a course on how the structure of society influences economic activity, and particularly on how firms are influenced by institutions, social networks, and power relations.

Objective

The course will give a firm grasp of the field of economic sociology. The main topics are economic institutions, social networks, and power, and after completing the course the students should be able to understand the relationships between society and economic activity and to analyze different societal forms.

Prerequisites

Students should have completed the normal course load for the first and second year of their study program, or have equivalent courses.

Compulsory literature

Books:

Dobbin, Frank. 2004. The New economic sociology : a reader. Princeton, N.J. : Princeton University Press

Collection of articles:

Bakken, Tore og Peder Inge Furseth. 2007. Artikkelsamling. Oslo: Handelshøyskolen BI

Recommended literature

Course outline

Introduction and main concepts
Institutions—basic concepts
Economic institutions
Networks—basic concepts
Networks and influence
Power—basic concepts
Power and influence
Social diversity and firms
Social change and firms

Computer-based tools

None.

Course structure

36 hours lectures and group assignments.

Evaluation

A four-hour individual written exam concludes the course.

Evaluation code(s)

ORG 26002 - Written exam, which accounts for 100% of the grade in ORG 2600 Economic Sociology, 6 credits.

Aids at the examination

None.

Makeup exam

A re-sit is held at the next scheduled exam in the course.