

Academic Year/course: 2021/22

61345 - Economic Growth

Syllabus Information

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Subject: 61345 - Economic Growth

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

2. Learning goals

3. Assessment (1st and 2nd call)

3.1. Assessment tasks (description of tasks, marking system and assessment criteria)

Course assessment will be onsite. In the case of a new pandemic wave assessment will become partly online or fully online. It should be noted that in any online assessment task the student performance may be recorded, following the regulations described in: [?https://protecciondatos.unizar.es/sites/protecciondatos.unizar.es/files/users/lopd/gdocencia_reducida.pdf?_](https://protecciondatos.unizar.es/sites/protecciondatos.unizar.es/files/users/lopd/gdocencia_reducida.pdf?_)

4. Methodology, learning tasks, syllabus and resources

4.1. 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 expected to use critical thinking. In addition, different activities of theoretical and practical nature are proposed.

All lectures and seminars will be imparted on site. In the case of a new health emergency caused by the current pandemic all teaching will be moved online.

4.2. 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.

4.3. 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/development
- Topic 7. Globalization and growth
- Topic 8. Growth/development econometrics
- Topic 9. The determinants of the institutional quality of the countries
- Topic 10. The role of institutions in economic growth/development

4.4. 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.

4.5. Bibliography and recommended resources

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

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