Faculty of Economics and Management, University of Bialystok

Stationary Studies Economics

Academic Year 2017/2018

Course: Social and Economic Policy	ECTS Points: 4
Course Code: 0300-ERS-1SEPP	
Language: English	
Course description: educational content – elective, optional course	
Lecturer: Paweł Piątkowski, Ph.D	
Semester: **winter**	Number of hours: 60 Lecture: 30 Classes: 30
Courses to be completed before enrollment to the course: course of macroeconomics	
Substantive content	

Lectures	Number of Hours
1. Introduction to economic policy	2
2. Role of government in market economy	2
3. How to support growth of economy?	2
4. Fiscal policy (including public debt problems)	2
5. Monetary policy	2
6. Unemployment policy	2
7. Foreign trade policy	2
8. Introduction to social policy	2
9. Main areas of social policy:	
- poverty	2
- disablement	2
- migrations	2
- demographic policy	2
- health care	2
- pension system	2
10. Main tendencies in social and economic policy	2

Aim of the course:

The main aim of the course is to develop knowledge and skills relating to the theory and practical aspects of economic policy.
Completing the course makes you able to:
- evaluate economic situation
- choose instrument of economic policy
- understand activities of government
- predict consequences of government decisions.

Teaching methods: Short lecture, discussion and students presentations, also case studies

Reading List:
1. P. Samuelson, W. Nordhaus, Macroeconomics, McGraw-Hill, New York
2. R. E. Hall, J. B. Taylor, Macroecoomics: theory, performance and policy. W. W. Norton & Company, New York
3. Nicolas Carnor, Vincent Koen and Bruno Tissot, Economic forecasting and policy, Basingstoke ; New York : Palgrave Macmillan, 2011.
4. Gruber, Jonathan.: Public finance and public policy, New York : Worth Publishers, 2011.
5. Bibow, Jörg.: Keynes on monetary policy, finance and uncertainty, London, New York : Routledge, 2009.

Forms and conditions of credit: case study, presentation, and final exam.