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## **Economics of Migration (2SC2090)**

Filières concernées	Nombre d'heures	Validation	Crédits ECTS
Master en économie appliquée	Cours: 2 ph	Voir ci-dessous	3
Pilier principal M ScS - migration et citoyenneté	Cours: 2 ph	Voir ci-dessous	5
Pilier secondaire M ScS - migration et citoyenneté	Cours: 2 ph	Voir ci-dessous	5

ph=période hebdomadaire, pg=période globale, j=jour, dj=demi-jour, h=heure, min=minute

#### Période d'enseignement:

· Semestre Printemps

#### Equipe enseignante

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#### Contenu

Empirical evidence on the relationship between (im)migration and labour market variables in the host country, impacts on employment and wages, impacts of free movement of persons in Switzerland; Role of (skilled) migration in generating gains for the host country; Competition in the labour market and individual attitudes towards immigration, economic versus non-economic determinants, opinions on foreigners.

#### Forme de l'évaluation

Internal evaluation, the overall mark for the course being divided as follows: Presence and participation (20%); Presentation in class (30%); Written work (50%).

Each class session is dedicated to the discussion of one or more articles in the literature. Students should read all articles carefully before each session. Participants are required to write an objective and critical report on the basis of the selected articles, and they will present this report in class. This written work will be given to the students and the professor the week before the presentation (to be sent by email). Active and regular participation is expected from all students. An attendance list will be circulated at each class session.

In case of a failure of the course, students must register by themselves for the evaluation of the retake session. They will have to complete the written work again (100% of the overall mark). There is no restriction about the use of connected objects.

Note: Failure to submit the written work as scheduled, without valid reason, will result in an automatic failure of this work.

## **Documentation**

The bibliography will be distributed at the beginning of the course and put on MOODLE.

### Pré-requis

The number of participants in this seminar is limited. Priority will be given to those who have taken basic or advanced courses in statistics (Quantitative analysis in the social sciences or equivalent).

# Forme de l'enseignement

Seminar

# Objectifs d'apprentissage

Au terme de la formation l'étudiant-e doit être capable de :

- Identify the research questions, the empirical strategies and the results of the literature
- Enumerate the pros and the cons of the empirical methods





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- Describe the research gap for each article
  Recognise which econometric method is appropriate for (causal) identification
  Discuss the relevant articles of the literature
  Criticise empirical strategies

- Indicate value added, limitations and caveats of the existing literature
- Communicate empirical results in front of an audience
- Explain in plain language an empirical strategy (orally and in writing)
   Interpret empirical results
   Define clearly the objectives and advancements of the topic

- Extract relevant information from scientific articles of the literature

#### Compétences transférables

- Intellectual rigor and curiosity
- Communicate in a second language
- Manage priorities