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Trade Policy (5ER2043)

Filières concernées	Nombre d'heures	Validation	Crédits ECTS
Master en économie appliquée	Cours: 2 ph	Voir ci-dessous	3

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

Période d'enseignement:

- Semestre Printemps

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The course will start with a review of the basic notions of international trade, such as comparative advantage, gains from trade, and protectionism. It will then present the methodologies and data used to quantify trade flows and trade policy instruments, such as tariffs and quantitative restrictions. In this context, the course will also consider the legal and institutional aspects of trade relations at the multilateral level under the World Trade Organization and at the regional level under free trade agreements. The course will next cover the empirical research methods used to assess the impact of specific trade policies on trade flows. The course finally will present a number of analytical contributions to the current political debates on the effects of globalization and trade on for example the labour market, income distribution or the environment.

Forme de l'évaluation

Two-hour written exam during the exam session at the end of the semester.
Retake: Two-hour written exam during the exam session.

No documents or connected objects are allowed during the exams. Any violation of these rules will be considered as fraud, leading to the withdrawal of unauthorized items and possibly exam failure.

Documentation

- World Trade Organization and UNCTAD (2012) A practical guide to trade policy analysis, Geneva: UN and WTO.
- Additional readings provided during the lectures

Pré-requis

Basic economics

Forme de l'enseignement

lectures

Objectifs d'apprentissage

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

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- Select relevant sources of trade and trade policy data, with a focus on trade in goods
- Apply methodologies that are appropriate for basic trade and trade policy analysis, including calculation of trade flows and trade policy indicators, and the gravity model
- Describe the main economic effects of trade policy, the rationale behind trade agreements and the main features of the multilateral trading system
- Conceptualise the process of trade policy formulation
- Carry out multi-dimensional analyses to the current political debates on the effects of globalization and trade
- Evaluate the relevance of specific trade policy assessments and results

Compétences transférables

- Apply knowledge to new situations