

Course description

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Course name:	Economic Anthropology		
Academic Year:	2024/2025	Printed:	30.05.2024 20:39

Department/Unit /	KSKA / MEKAN			Academic Year	2024/2025
Title	Economic Anthropology			Type of completion	Examination
Accredited/Credits	Yes, 6 Cred.			Type of completion	Combined
Number of hours	Lecture 1 [HRS/WEEK] Seminar 2 [HRS/WEEK]			Course credit prior to	YES
Occ/max	Status A	Status B	Status C	Counted into average	YES
Summer semester	0 / 15	0 / 0	0 / 0	Min. (B+C) students	not determined
Winter semester	0 / 20	0 / 0	0 / 0	Repeated registration	NO
Timetable	Yes			Semester taught	Summer semester
Language of instruction	Czech, English			Internship duration	0
Optional course	Yes			Ev. sc. – cred.	S N
Evaluation scale	A B C D E F				
No. of hours of on-premise					
Auto acc. of credit	No				
Periodicity	K				
Substituted course	KSKA/EKAN				
Preclusive courses	N/A				
Prerequisite courses	N/A				
Informally recommended courses	N/A				
Courses depending on this Course	N/A				

Course objectives:

The objective of the course is to acquire the theoretical knowledge of economic systems and institutions of traditional and modern societies in time as well in space.

Requirements on student

Compulsory attendance at the lectures. Type of assessment: written exam.

Content

Historical beginnings of economy and its connection to other social sciences.
Economic terminology and indicators.
Introduction to economic anthropology and definition of the subject matter.
Substantivism, formalism, neo-Marxism, feminism.
Forms of provision, production and division of labour.
Economic behaviour as social behaviour, rationalisation, economisation, altruism, models of decision-making.
Barter trade, the issue of a present and economy.
Individual forms of distribution and relationship towards organisation and institutions of the society.
Symbolic economic anthropology.
Political economy: colonialism, theory of dependence and impact on current situation.
Poverty, economic development and globalisation.

Prerequisites - other information about course preconditions

Competences acquired

Students will be presented to the pros and cons of application of economic patterns and theories of the market on non-market

society. The questions of economic discrimination, political power and solution of poverty will be discussed. Students will be able to apply the knowledge in the context of applied anthropology for solution of the poverty and inequality problems.

Fields of study

Guarantors and lecturers

- **Guarantors:** doc. PhDr. Lale Yalcin-Heckmann
- **Lecturer:** PhDr. Tomáš Boukal, Ph.D. (100%), doc. PhDr. Lale Yalcin-Heckmann (100%)
- **Seminar lecturer:** doc. PhDr. Lale Yalcin-Heckmann (100%)

Literature

- **Basic:** KOTTAK, C. P. *Culture and "Economic Development"*. American Anthropologist 92(3):723-731, 1990.
- **Basic:** WILK, R. R. *Economies and Cultures: Foundations of Economic Anthropology*. Westview Press: Boulder, 1996.
- **Basic:** DURKHEIM, É. *Společenská dělba práce*. Brno: Centrum pro studium demokracie a kultury, 2004.
- **Recommended:** MATTHEW, R. *Psychology and Economics*. Journal of Economic Literature, American Economic Association, vol. 36(1), pages 11-46, 1998.
- **Recommended:** GODELIER, M. *The Enigma of the Gift*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1999.

Teaching methods

Monologic (reading, lecture, briefing)
 Dialogic (discussion, interview, brainstorming)
 Work with text (with textbook, with book)

Assessment methods

Written examination

Course is included in study programmes:

Study Programme	Type of	Form of	Branch	Stage	St. plan v.	Year	Block	Status	R.year	R.
Social and cultural anthropology	Follow-up study	Full-time	Social and cultural anthropology	1	2023	2024	Compulsory Courses	A	2	LS
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