Course and Examination Fact Sheet: Autumn Semester 2021

10,361: (Mental) Health and the Labor Market

ECTS credits: 4

Overview examination/s
(binding regulations see below)
Decentral - Presentation (individual) (40%)
Examination time: term time
Decentral - examination paper written at home (individual) (60%)
Examination time: term time

Attached courses
Timetable -- Language -- Lecturer
10,361.1.00 (Mental) Health and the Labor Market -- Englisch -- Pasini Giacomo, Eugster Beatrix

Course information

Course prerequisites
The course covers both theoretical models as well as empirical applications. Solid background in microeconomics and microeconometrics is required.

Learning objectives
In this course students will:
- learn about the interplay of (mental) health and the labor market,
- understand specific challenges in the fields of health and labor economics,
- develop their own sketch of a research project, and
- synthesize and defend their ideas in a presentation and short report.

By the end of this course students will have acquired a good overview of current topics in the intersection of health and labor economics. They will be able to use their knowledge to develop their own research projects.

Course content

This course introduces into selected topics in the fields of health and labor economics. Its aim is to acquaint students with theories and applications in health and labor economics and to encourage the development of research interest in these fields.

Students will get to know state-of-the-art theoretical models and empirical papers at the current research frontier. After this course, students will be able to develop their own research projects in these fields.

Course structure and indications of the learning and teaching design

The course is targeted to PhD students in economics and econometrics.

The course is organized en-block and consists of 6 days with four hours each. Teaching will be divided equally between Prof. Beatrix Eugster and Prof. Giacomo Pasini and will consist of:
- Introduction to health and labor economics, with a focus on the interplay of both
Discussion of applied papers at the research frontier, with a focus on important research questions and empirical identification

Introduction to data available for research (e.g. SHARE, administrative data)

Self-study time to develop a research project idea and Q&A sessions

Student presentations of their research project ideas

Independent study is expected as students will be required to:

- Read course literature prior to the lectures
- Prepare a presentation of a research project idea
- Write a short report on the research project idea

Course literature

Empirical papers provided on StudyNet.

Additional course information

In the case of the President's Board having to implement new directives due to the SARS-CoV-2 pandemic in autumn semester AS2021, the course information listed above will be changed as follows:

- The course is conducted online via the platform ZOOM;
- The recordings of the course are available for 30 days;
- The lecturer informs via StudyNet on the changed implementation modalities of the course.

The examination information listed below would be changed as follows:

- The presentations are conducted online and are being recorded.

Examination information

Examination sub part/s

1. Examination sub part (1/2)

Examination time and form
Decentral - Presentation (individual) (40%)
Examination time: term time

Remark
Presentation of 30 min on own research project idea

Examination-aid rule
Presentations
In presentations, aids for visual presentation can be used. These aids can be specified or restricted by the lecturers.

Supplementary aids
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Examination languages
Question language: English
Answer language: English

2. Examination sub part (2/2)
Examination time and form
Decentral - examination paper written at home (individual) (60%)
Examination time: term time

Remark
Report (5-10p) on own research project idea

Examination-aid rule
Term papers

Written work must be written without outside help according to the known citation standards, and a declaration of authorship must be attached, which is available as a template on the StudentWeb.

Documentation (quotations, bibliography, etc.) must be carried out universally and consistently according to the requirements of the chosen/specified citation standard such as e.g. APA or MLA.

The legal standard is recommended for legal work (cf. by way of example: FORSTMOser, P., OGOrek R., SCHINDLER B., Juristisches Arbeiten: Eine Anleitung für Studierende (the latest edition in each case), or according to the recommendations of the Law School).

The reference sources of information (paraphrases, quotations, etc.) that has been taken over literally or in the sense of the original text must be integrated into the text in accordance with the requirements of the citation standard used. Informative and bibliographical notes must be included as footnotes (recommendations and standards e.g. in METZGER, C., Lern- und Arbeitsstrategien (latest edition)).

For all written work at the University of St.Gallen, the indication of page numbers is mandatory, regardless of the standard chosen. Where page numbers are missing in sources, the precise designation must be made differently: chapter or section title, section number, article, etc.

Supplementary aids
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Examination languages
Question language: English
Answer language: English

Examination content
The exam consists of the development of an own research project idea at the intersection of health and labor economics.

Examination relevant literature
None.
Please note

Please note that only this fact sheet and the examination schedule published at the time of bidding are binding and takes precedence over other information, such as information on StudyNet (Canvas), on lecturers’ websites and information in lectures etc.

Any references and links to third-party content within the fact sheet are only of a supplementary, informative nature and lie outside the area of responsibility of the University of St.Gallen.

Documents and materials are only relevant for central examinations if they are available by the end of the lecture period (CW51) at the latest. In the case of centrally organised mid-term examinations, the documents and materials up to CW 42 are relevant for testing.

Binding nature of the fact sheets:

- Course information as well as examination date (organised centrally/decentrally) and form of examination: from bidding start in CW 34 (Thursday, 26 August 2021);
- Examination information (regulations on aids, examination contents, examination literature) for decentralised examinations: in CW 42 (Monday, 18 October 2021);
- Examination information (regulations on aids, examination contents, examination literature) for centrally organised mid-term examinations: in CW 42 (Monday, 18 October 2021);

Examination information (regulations on aids, examination contents, examination literature) for centrally organised examinations: two weeks before the end of the registration period in CW 45 (Monday, 8 November 2021).