

Course name	Basics of Economics	
Course code	R.1sa.ECN.SLRROAY	
Department	Institute of Economic and Social Sciences	
Faculty	Agriculture and Economics	
Course supervisor/Lecturer	Dr. Jakub Piecuch	
General information	Semester	Winter or summer
	ECTS credits	6
	Lectures total	10hrs
	Classes/labs/field classes	20hrs
Objective and general description	<p>The course aims to familiarize the students with mechanisms and phenomena of economics considering the behaviour of major market system players. Thus, the theory includes basic microeconomic laws referring to market, consumer and producer, as well as the macroeconomic issues of unemployment, inflation, business cycle and national income. The context of intrinsic processes of globalization and integration will also be emphasized with special regard to causes and social effects of these processes and their impact on world's economy.</p>	
Lectures	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Basic economic concepts 2. Market Mechanism 3. Aims and Tools of Macroeconomics, 4. Unemployment – Static Structure and Problem, 5. Inflation 	
Classes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Business Cycles – Global Financial Crisis 2. Sustainability within the Process of Globalization – global warming threat 3. The role of international corporations 4. Economic Experience in South of Europe (case study 1), 5. Economic Experience in Northern Countries (case study 2), 6. Economic Experience in Germany (case study 3), 7. Economic Experience in Central and Eastern Economies (case study 4) 8. Future of European Integration 9. The role of USA in Global Economy 10. Immigrant's Crisis from European Perspective 	
Assessment method	<p>Oral presentations/individual projects/exam concerning the following aspects: essence, form, discussion and solving problems ability.</p>	
References	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. D. Begg, Economics, McGraw-Hill 2. P. A. Samuelson, Economics, McGraw-Hill 3. J. Sloman, Essentials of Economics, Pitman 4. Krugman , R. Wells, Worth Publishers, Microeconomics 	