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SAK 06/2021 Endre forkunnskapskrav for ECON4921 - Institutions and Economic Systems

Emneansvarlig Henrik Sigstad og Max Anton Wosnitza fremmer et forslag for endring av forkunnskapskrav for emnet ECON4921 – Institutions and Economic Systems. De har skrevet følgende begrunnelse:

We would like to officially request that on the Econ4921 course webpage, the following course ECON3220 – Microeconomics 3 / ECON4220 – Microeconomics 3 will be moved from the “Formal prerequisite knowledge” to the “Recommended previous knowledge” section. By keeping Bachelor’s degree in Economics, or equivalent as a formal prerequisite, we ensure that those students who sign up for the class actually have a (good) basic understanding of Economic Theory, as well as training in the mathematical and econometric skills needed for the course.

The recommended previous knowledge section should provide the students with a further indication of what exactly we expect them to know when entering the course (we generally consider Econ3150 and Econ3220 to be part of the Bachelor program). Further, we will add some readings to the syllabus that introduce students to the economic concepts and mathematical/econometric skills needed for the course. Thereby students, who have not covered a specific concept/skill as part of their studies, are provided with an easy access to relevant introductory material. By having set up the Prerequisites section in this way, we enable first year Master students in Economics and strong students from other disciplines (e.g. Political Science, Mathematics, etc.), who show an interest in the course, to sign up and not be denied entry due to a mere formality. In general, we consider showing a strong interest in the course, as well as some interdisciplinarity, to be an asset when taking on Econ4921 and thereby allowing aforementioned students to follow the course to be beneficial to all participating students.



Forslag til vedtak:

Programrådet går inn for å flytte ECON3220 – Microeconomics 3 / ECON4220 – Microeconomics 3 fra obligatorisk forkunnskapskrav til anbefalt forkunnskapskrav for emnet ECON4921 – Institutions and Economic Systems.