



## DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

### **NEK105 Principles of International Economics, 5 credits**

Grundläggande internationell ekonomi, 5 högskolepoäng

*First Cycle*

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#### **Confirmation**

This course syllabus was confirmed by Department of Economics on 2020-06-29 to be valid from 2021-01-18, spring semester of 2021.

*Field of education:* Social Sciences 100%

*Department:* Department of Economics

#### **Position in the educational system**

NEK105 is a 5.0-credit single subject basic course in economics, offered at the first-cycle level.

The course can be part of the following programmes: 1) European Studies Program (S1EUR), 2) Program in Environmental Social Science (S1SMI) and 3) Program in Political Science (S1STV)

#### *Main field of studies*

Economics

#### *Specialization*

G1F, First cycle, has less than 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

#### **Entry requirements**

Admission to the course requires previous knowledge of basic Microeconomics.

#### **Learning outcomes**

On successful completion of the course the student will:

1. understand the basic theories of international trade
2. be able to apply normative criteria eg. Pareto efficiency and the compensation principle

### 3. know about EU regulations on the internal market

How overall learning goals of the Bachelor's degree are related to the learning outcomes of the course:

Overall learning goals	Learning outcomes
Knowledge and understanding	1+3
Skills and abilities	2
Judgement and approach	2

### Course content

The course aims to provide basic knowledge about:

#### 1. Causes and consequences of:

- International trade in goods and services.
- Migration and foreign direct investment.
- Trade barriers and export promotion policies.

#### 2. Valuation of effects of international trade etc. from both an efficiency and distribution perspective.

#### 3. The European internal market and the four freedoms.

### Form of teaching

The content of the course is presented mainly at lectures and in exercise seminars. A large part of the knowledge acquisition on the course is done by students solving exercises on their own as well as in groups.

*Language of instruction:* Swedish

Teaching activities and literature in English may occur.

### Assessment

All Learning goals are examined by a written exam.

During the course, voluntary written tests can occur. The points that the student receives on these tests are added to the points on the exam. The points from the tests are only valid at examination during the same semester.

A student who has taken two exams in a course or part of a course without obtaining a pass grade is entitled to the nomination of another examiner. The student needs to contact the department for a new examiner, preferably in writing, and this should be approved by the department unless there are special reasons to the contrary (Chapter 6 Section 22 of the Higher Education Ordinance).

If a student has received a recommendation from the University of Gothenburg for special educational support, where it is compatible with the learning outcomes of the course and provided that no unreasonable resources are required, the examiner may decide to allow the student to sit an adjusted exam or alternative form of assessment.

In the event that a course has ceased or undergone major changes, students are to be guaranteed at least three examination sessions (including the ordinary examination session) over a period of at least one year, but no more than two years, after the course has ceased/been changed. The same applies to placements and professional placements (VFU), although this is restricted to just one additional examination session.

### **Grades**

The grading scale comprises: Excellent (A), Very good (B), Good (C), Satisfactory (D), Sufficient (E) and Fail (F).

### **Course evaluation**

Course evaluation is done digitally and anonymously at the end of the course.

The survey material is compiled and the results from the course evaluation and proposals for possible improvement measures are discussed at the course committee meeting. After the course evaluation is completed, the result will be published at the course homepage.

If a change of course is done based on the course evaluation, this will be communicated at the course introduction for the upcoming student group.