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Study programme "Economics"

Main attributes

Title	Economics
Identification code	IBE0
Education classification code	43310
Level and type	Academic Bachelor Study
Higher education study field	Economics
Head of the study field	Maija Šenfelde
Department responsible	Faculty of Engineering Economics and Management
Head of the study programme	Maija Šenfelde
Professional classification code	
The type of study programme	Full time, Extramural
Language	Latvian, English
Accreditation	25.08.2016 - 31.12.2020; Accreditation certificate No 23
Volume (credit points)	120.0
Duration of studies (years)	Full time studies - 3,0; Part time studies - 4,0; Extramural - 4,0
Degree or/and qualification to be obtained	Bachelor Degree of Social Science in Economics
Qualification level to be obtained	The 6th level of European Qualifications Framework (EQF) and Latvian Qualifications Framework (LQF)
Programme prerequisites	General Secondary Education or 4-year Vocational Secondary Education

Description

Abstract	The study programme has been designed in such a way that students learn and develop skills to use theoretical knowledge for formulating particular tasks and solving problems in economics, as well as improving research skills and ability to use computer equipment and relevant software.
Aim	To ensure acquisition of theoretical knowledge in the field of economics in accordance with the national standards of academic education and to train specialists, whose knowledge and skills will allow them to take decisions, plan and coordinate economic processes.
Tasks	The tasks of the study programme are as follows: 1. to provide students with an opportunity to acquire a degree in the field of economics; to foster students' interest in further development and to form a foundation for continuing their studies at Master study programmes; 2. to ensure the development and improvement of the curriculum of the study programme, the study process and research work in accordance with the economic changes at the national and international level, as well as in science and didactics; 3. to organize the study process with an aim to develop students' knowledge, foster their mental development, promote application of their intellectual abilities and competencies in the study process and in further practical work; 4. to develop competencies in accordance with the labour market requirements, to promote interest in further learning and development, enhancing academic knowledge and professional competencies; 5. to develop skills necessary to ensure students' ability to work successfully and in accordance with the best standards at state institutions and economic enterprises in various industries, including the ability to obtain, compile, analyse and use information, the ability to make decisions and act in a socially responsible environment, etc.; 6. to foster students' understanding of various economic processes in the national economy and provide them with the required knowledge in the relevant sphere; 7. to promote students' interest in the social processes, to enable them to develop into positive, modern, responsible and fully capable individuals, who can act independently and make independent decisions; 8. to foster and develop international exchange of the academic staff and students, as well as their participation in various projects.
Learning outcomes	Having completed the study programme, graduates are able: 1. to understand the economic theory, assess the current situation and problems in the national economy; 2. to define and apply various alternative solutions to the use of financial resources; 3. to demonstrate their understanding of the structure and main directions of the European Union policy; 4. to show their understanding of the operating principles and economic performance of enterprises, government or non-governmental institutions; 5. to collect, process, analyse and apply information; 6. to use information technologies in the solution of specific economic issues; 7. to carry out research on economic development issues, interpret and analyse the results; 8. to properly elaborate and present projects related to economic issues; 9. to apply the knowledge acquired during the studies in various life and business situations, working in a team or individually thus ensuring their competitiveness in the labour market.

Final/state examination procedure, assessment	<p>The study programme is to be concluded with the elaboration and defence of the bachelor thesis assessed according to the 10-point grading scale. The evaluation criteria for assessing the bachelor thesis are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. to find, summarise and analyse academic and professional literature and information (including literature in foreign languages); 2. to analyse the current problems; 3. to use appropriate research methods and develop problem-solving skills; 4. to elaborate practical solutions in the form of recommendations and proposals; 5. to develop and consolidate independent business research skills and ability to present the acquired practical results. <p>The students who successfully fulfilled all the requirements of the study programme and defended the bachelor thesis with a mark of not less than 4 (almost satisfactory) are awarded the Bachelor's Academic Degree in Economics.</p>
Description of the future employment	Graduates can work at state, regional and international institutions, companies and non-governmental organisations.
Special enrollment requirements	No specific regulations
Opportunity to continue studies	The opportunity to continue studies at academic and professional master study programmes "Economics", "Entrepreneurship and Management", etc.

Courses

No	Code	Name	Credit points
A		Compulsory study courses	58.0
1	DMS102	Mathematics	4.0
2	DMS270	Mathematics for Economists	4.0
3	ICA105	Civil Defence	1.0
4	IET127	Microeconomics	4.0
5	IET104	Macroeconomics	4.0
6	IET704	Introduction to Study Field	1.0
7	IĀS207	Economic Statistics	2.0
8	IĀS215	Quantitative Methods for Economics	3.0
9	IRE705	Public Sector Economics	3.0
10	IBO450	International Economics	4.0
11	IUV207	Fundamentals of Finances	4.0
12	IUV209	Accounting	3.0
13	IVZ749	Business Intelligence Technologies I	3.0
14	IVZ752	Business Intelligence Technologies II	2.0
15	ITA708	Topicalities of Nowadays Economy (study work)	2.0
16	ITA705	Territorial Economic Activity	4.0
17	IVZ745	Technology transfer and product design	2.0
18	IRE717	Legal Aspects of Environmental Management	3.0
19	IET108	History of Economic Thought	3.0
20	IET301	Methodology of Economic Research	2.0
B		Compulsory elective study courses	48.0
B1		Field-specific study course	42.0
1	IRE301	Economy of European Countries	3.0
2	ITE319	Fundamentals of Business Logistics	3.0
3	IUE329	Innovation Economics	3.0
4	IUE337	Processing of Economic Information	2.0
5	IRE302	Real Estate Economics	4.0
6	IRE303	Model of Functioning of the Economic System (business game)	2.0
7	ITA702	Placement	6.0
8	IĀS111	National Economy of Latvia	2.0
9	IET522	International Competition	2.0
10	IRE407	EU Co-financed Project Management	4.0
11	IĀS255	Econometrics	2.0
12	IRE404	Current Trends of the European Union Economic Policy	2.0
13	IUV229	Economics of Human Resources	2.0
14	IRE709	Risks of Regional Development	3.0
15	IBO304	Fundamentals of Regional Planning and Forecasting	4.0
16	ITA709	Eco-economics	4.0
17	IUE471	Economic Forecasting	3.0
18	IUV303	Management Theory (basic course)	2.0
19	IUE219	Marketing	4.0
20	IUE328	Project Management	4.0
21	IET313	International Finance	4.0
22	IRE701	Public Investment in Regional Development	2.0
B2		Humanities and social sciences study courses	2.0
1	HSP377	General Sociology	2.0
2	HSP375	Sociology of Management	2.0
3	HSP378	Politology	2.0
4	IUV106	Business Communication	2.0
5	IĀS720	Intercultural Communication	2.0
B6		Languages	4.0
1	HDG405	English	4.0
2	HDG404	German	4.0
C		Free elective study courses	4.0
E		Final examination	10.0
1	IRE001	Bachelor Thesis	10.0