Lingnan University 嶺南大學 香港 Hong Kong

LINGNAN UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS 30TH ANNIVERSARY

Department of Economics Course Recommendation

AY2026-2027, Term 1

Elective courses

ECO3214 Globalisation & Econ Integration (CRN: 507)

This course aims to familiarise students with the cause, pattern, and nature of the globalisation of production of goods and services, which is taking the form of greater division of labour, increasing specialisation, greater trade and capital flows, and keener international competition. Against this trend, however, is the emergence of trade blocs and regional economic entities. This course will look at the interaction between these two trends. Students will also have the chance to examine the roles of World Trade Organization (WTO), the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund (IMF), and the impacts of globalisation on financial stability through the study of the East Asian Financial Crisis and the recent Financial Tsunami.

ECO3311 Economics of the Family (CRN: 509)

Based on economic theories, this course offers a way of looking at family that produces useful insights. It provides an introduction to the economic analysis of such socioeconomic behaviours as human capital investment, fertility, marriage, divorce, bequests, and old age support. This course is inter-discipline in nature, and is highly relevant to the issues of contemporary public and social policies.

ECO4324 Environmental Economics and Policy (CRN: 5393)

This course mainly applies economic analysis to environmental issues, while insights from environmental science, psychology and political science will also be incorporated. So, the course will be interdisciplinary in nature. The course will start by discussing the source of environmental problems, i.e. externality and market failure, and then focus on two central questions in environmental economics and management: how much environmental quality is desirable and how to achieve this desirable level. Major topics include nonmarket valuation, regulation and international environmental cooperation.

AY2026-2027, Term 2

Elective courses

ECO3211 Chinese Economy (CRN: 5429)

This course provides a general introduction of the Chinese economy since 1979. It aims to help students understand the development and transition of the Chinese economy. Since China has deeply engaged in the global economy and become the second largest economy in the world, understanding the Chinese economy is crucial to understanding the global economy. Some background knowledge of microeconomics, macroeconomics, international economics and statistical method will be very helpful and thus introduced in this course. Specific topics include but not limited to the economic reform, open-door policy, regional development, economic growth, financial market, innovation, international trade, foregin direct investment, and Renminbi. The course will discuss both the achievements and current problems.

ECO4002 Economics of Law and Policy (CRN: 494)

This course applies economic analysis to the study of law and policy. It focuses on the framework provided by the legal system that enables the efficent and orderly functioning of the economic system, and explores differences between individual and collective choice, and the features in the legal system needed to align group rationality with individual rationality.

The student will learn elements of contract law, tort law and criminal law, differences between private goods and public goods, property rights, externalities, transaction cost and applications of the Coase theorem, as well as competition law.

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