

Course ID

Job market seminars in economics and finance

(Transferable skill course)

1. Course details

Semesters: 1

Credit rating: 1 ECTS (15 TU)

Pre-requisite(s): -

Lecturers: Professor Irmén Andreas (15 TU)
Professor Picard Pierre (15 TU)
Professor Arnaud Dupuy (15 TU)

Administrator: -

Secretary: Roswitha Glorieux

Tutor: TBA (15 TU)

Seminar times and rooms: See plan of semester
CREA

Communications **It is important that students should regularly read their University e-mails, as important information will normally be communicated this way.**

Reading week: -

Mode of assessment: Referee reports, presentations, class participation

Additional work: TBA

Examination: -

Periods:

Course WebPage: Moodle.uni.lu

2. Aims and objectives

Aims

The aim of this course is to equip doctoral students of Economics and Finance with important transferable skills necessary to succeed in the academic job market for PhDs in Economics and Finance. This market functions according to an internationally recognized and fairly streamlined procedure. Three crucial ingredients of a successful application are 1) the letter of application, 2) the job market interview and 3) the presentation of the job market paper. Arguably, the first contact of the applicant with the recruitment committee of the hiring academic institution is the letter of application. It is the first chance to make a good impression and, therefore, should be conceived with great care. During the job market interview, candidates are also expected to succinctly summarize their research in a few sentences. It is essential that candidates are well-prepared for this exercise. The presentation of the job market paper takes place in a regular seminar set-up and lasts between 60 to 90 minutes during which many questions are asked. The job market seminar will prepare participants for these challenges.

This course is meant to mimic the atmosphere of typical job market interviews and job market seminars. Hence, it is crucial to have multiple lecturers in the same room at the same time. The lecturers of this course are highly active and very successful researchers. We are targeting PhD students in their 2nd to 4th year.

Learning Objectives

Students will learn to

- Present their research in a clear and articulate manner
- Handle questions in a seminar
- Keep track of time in an active seminar
- Be up to date with current research
- Give insightful comments to presentations of other researchers
- Prepare an application letter

3. Plan of semester

	Dates	Room	Time	Topic	Deadlines
9	Oct	BSC E00 004	TBA	TBA	-
16	Oct	BSC E00 004	TBA	TBA	-
23	Oct	BSC E00 004	TBA	TBA	-
30	Oct	BSC E00 004	TBA	TBA	-
6	Nov	BSC E00 004	TBA	TBA	-
13	Nov	BSC E00 004	TBA	TBA	-
20	Nov	BSC E00 004	TBA	TBA	-
27	Nov	BSC E00 004	TBA	TBA	-

4. Course details (by topics)

Tips for presentation
Publishing in Economics and Finance
Presentation training
Prepare for Interview
Application letter and CV

More detail in Table below

5. Further information about assessment

Grading is based on class participation and quality of presentation or of the referee report. The course will be **graded** on a pass/fail basis.

	Topic	Homework	Material to bring in class
		Read: Stern, Card DellaVigna, Hammermersh	
1	<p>10 min: Course outline</p> <p>10 min :Summarize your research in 1 sentence</p> <p>30 min: Irmen: Tips for presentation</p> <p>20 min: Picard: Discussion on Publishing in Economics</p> <p>10 min: prepare next lecture;</p> <p>10 min: Dupuy: video of presentation</p>	<p>Prepare presentation</p> <p>Watch videos</p>	Papers: Tips, Stern, Card DellaVigna, Hammermer sh
2	<p>5 min :Summarize your research in 1 sentence</p> <p>15 min: short research presentation 1</p> <p>5 min analysis and comment(Tips as a grid)</p> <p>15 min: short research presentation 2</p> <p>5 min analysis and comment</p> <p>15 min: short research presentation 3</p> <p>5 min analysis and comment</p> <p>15 min: short research presentation 4</p> <p>5 min analysis and comment</p> <p>10 min: Dupuy: video of presentation (again)</p> <p>10 min Picard: prepare a list of 4 questions that you do not want</p> <p>10 min: prepare next lecture</p>	<p>Write list of 10 questions that threaten your paper</p> <p>Prepare long presentation</p>	Paper copy of presentation slides
3	<p>5 min :Summarize your research in 1 sentence</p> <p>35 min: presentation full paper 1 (first presenter by randomly draw)</p> <p>5 min comments</p> <p>35 min: presentation full paper 2</p> <p>5 min comments</p>	<p>Write answers to the questions that threaten your paper</p>	Paper copy of presentation slides
4	<p>5 min :Summarize your research plan in 1 sentence</p> <p>35 min: presentation full paper 1</p> <p>5 min comments</p> <p>35 min: presentation full paper 2</p> <p>5 min comments</p>	<p>Prepare your CV and application letter</p>	Paper copy of presentation slides
5	To fill / buffer	-	
6	<p>5 min :Summarize your research in 1 sentence [40 min to fill]</p> <p>30 min: discuss application letter (what to write; comment on existing letters)</p> <p>20 min: prepare your future research plans</p> <p>20 min: prepare your interview</p>	<p>Prepare</p>	CV and application letter

	10 min: preparation on next lecture: write application letter and CV for true JOE position call.	CV and application letter	
7	20 min mock interview 1 10 min: analysis comments 20 min mock interview 2 10 min: analysis comments 10 min mock interview 3 10 min: analysis comments 10 min mock interview 4 10 min: analysis comments	-	CV and application letter
8	TBA	-	