UCL LECON2335 Université catholique de Louvain

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International monetary economics

5.0 credits

30.0 h

Teacher(s) :	Bodart Vincent ;
Language :	Français
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Main themes :	The course is concerned with the study of the main economic factors and mechanisms that explain the determi-nation of external current accounts, real and nominal exchange rate changes and international capital move-ments. The main topics of the course are : the ajustement process of the external current account, the determination of nominal and real exchange rates in the short-run and in the long-run, central bank interventions in the foreign exchange market, the impact of the exchange rate regime on macroeconomic fluctuations, and the mechanics of financial crises.
Aims :	At the end of the course, the student is supposed to be able to understand precisely the main concepts, argu-ments, and analyses presented during the class. He must be capable to use the theories presented during the course in order to analyze rigourously international monetary facts and events. The contribution of this Teaching Unit to the development and command of the skills and learning outcomes of the programme(s) can be accessed at the end of this sheet, in the section entitled "Programmes/courses offering this Teaching Unit".
Content :	Contents :
Other infos :	Part 1. Definitions and concepts Chapter 1. The balance of payments Chapter 2. Exchange rates : definitions and measures Part 2. The determination of the balance of payments and exchange rates in a general equilibrium macroeco-nomic framework Chapter 3. The model Chapter 4. The case of flexible rates Chapter 5. The case of flexible rates Part 3. The adjustment process of the external current account Chapter 6. The effets of devaluation : theoretical and empirical aspects Chapter 7. The adjustment process of the external current account in a small open economy Part 4. The determination of exchange rates Chapter 8. Purchasing power parity, nominal and real exchange rates Chapter 9. Exchange rates, expectations, and financial markets : the overshooting phenomena Part 5. Special topics Chapter 10. The mechanics of financial crises Chapter 11. The choice of the exchange rate regime A syllabus is available. The syllabus is supplemented by a list of readings that will be discussed during the class.
	Oral exam Syllabus + textbooks + readings
Cycle and year of study :	
Faculty or entity in charge:	ECON