

5 crédits

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Langue d'enseignement	Anglais
Lieu du cours	Louvain-la-Neuve
Préalables	Micro-économie intermédiaire et introduction à l'organisation industrielle
Thèmes abordés	The course aims at analysing the mechanisms and institutions governing the production, use and diffusion of information and knowledge. It also aims at developing a rigorous economic analysis of a large set of issues surrounding intellectual property, R&D and innovation. In this field, the economic approach appears as fundamental as it focuses on markets, incentives and strategic interaction.
Acquis d'apprentissage	<p><b>Having regard to the LO of the programme, this activity contributes to the development and acquisition of the following LO:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1. Corporate citizenship</li> <li>• 1.1. 'Demonstrate independent reasoning, look critically '</li> <li>• 2. Knowledge and reasoning</li> <li>• 2.1. Master the core knowledge of each area of management.</li> <li>• 2.2. Master highly specific knowledge '</li> <li>• 2.3. Articulate the acquired knowledge from different areas</li> <li>• 2.4. Activate and apply the acquired knowledge '</li> <li>• 3. A scientific and systematic approach</li> <li>• 3.1. Conduct a clear, structured, analytical reasoning '</li> <li>• 3.2. Collect, select and analyze relevant information '</li> <li>• 3.3. Consider problems using a systemic and holistic approach '</li> <li>• 3.4. Perceptively synthesize 'demonstrating a certain conceptual distance '</li> <li>• 3.5. Produce, through analysis and diagnosis, implementable solutions'</li> <li>• 5. Work effectively in an international and multicultural environment</li> <li>• 5.2. Position ... the functioning of an organization, in its ...socio-economic dimensions'</li> <li>• 6. Teamwork and leadership</li> <li>• 6.1. Work in a team...</li> <li>• 8. Communication and interpersonal skills</li> <li>• 8.1. Express a clear and structured message'</li> <li>• 8.2. Interact and discuss effectively '</li> <li>• 9. Personal and professional development</li> <li>• 9.1. Independent self-starter '</li> <li>• 9.4. Quick study, lifelong learner '</li> </ul> <p><b>At the end of this course, the student will be able to:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. understand what sets innovation markets apart from other markets.</li> <li>2. understand why markets often fail when it comes to produce information and knowledge.</li> <li>3. understand why and how governments should intervene in such markets.</li> <li>4. use the economic analysis in order to improve their understanding of a number of topical issues (e.g., the impact of patents and generic drugs on the fight against diseases like HIV/AIDS or malaria, software patents, piracy of digital goods, etc).</li> </ol> <p>-----</p> <p><i>La contribution de cette UE au développement et à la maîtrise des compétences et acquis du (des) programme(s) est accessible à la fin de cette fiche, dans la partie « Programmes/formations proposant cette unité d'enseignement (UE) ».</i></p>

Modes d'évaluation des acquis des étudiants	<p><b>Continuous evaluation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Date: At each course</li> <li>• Type of evaluation: Course participation</li> <li>• Comments:</li> </ul> <p><b>Evaluation week</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oral: No</li> <li>• Written: No</li> <li>• Unavailability or comments: No</li> </ul> <p><b>Examination session</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oral: Yes (in French and in English)</li> <li>• Written: No</li> <li>• Unavailability or comments: No</li> </ul>
Méthodes d'enseignement	<p>The theoretical material is presented during the lectures. Students are asked to work in groups in order to apply the theoretical framework to specific case studies and/or to topical issues.</p> <p><b>In-class activities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lectures</li> </ul> <p><b>At home activities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Readings to prepare the lecture</li> <li>• Paper work</li> <li>• Students presentation</li> </ul>
Contenu	<p><b>Summary, content and methods</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. We introduce the main concepts and explain why activities generating information and knowledge are marred by three sources of market failures, which contribute to create a generic problem of appropriability.</li> <li>2. We compare various public policy measures that are designed to alleviate this problem of appropriability.</li> <li>3. We assess the effect of market structure on the incentives for R&amp;D.</li> <li>4. We study how patent protection should optimally be designed. In particular, we address the questions of the optimal length and breadth of patents.</li> <li>5. We apply the previous general analyses to the specificities of the digital economy. Two topical issues are addressed: the piracy of digital products and the development of open-source software.</li> </ol> <p><b>Content</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information and appropriability</li> <li>• Market structure and incentives for R&amp;D</li> <li>• Patents and efficiency</li> <li>• Intellectual property in the digital economy</li> </ul>
Bibliographie	References : Provided during the class Lecture notes and Slides provided through Moodle
Autres infos	Internationalisation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• international case study</li> </ul>
Faculté ou entité en charge:	CLSM

<b>Programmes / formations proposant cette unité d'enseignement (UE)</b>				
Intitulé du programme	Sigle	Crédits	Prérequis	Acquis d'apprentissage
Master [120] en ingénieur de gestion	INGE2M	5		
Master [120] en sciences économiques, orientation générale	ECON2M	5		
Master [60] en sciences économiques, orientation générale	ECON2M1	5		
Master [120] en ingénieur de gestion	INGM2M	5		