

<b>Course Unit Title:</b>	Current Issues in Economics
<b>Course Unit Code:</b>	ECO480
<b>Type of Course Unit: (Compulsory/Optional)</b>	Compulsory
<b>Level of Course Unit: (first, second or third cycle)</b>	Bachelor (1 <sup>st</sup> Cycle)
<b>Year of Study:</b>	2
<b>Semester when the unit is delivered:</b>	4
<b>Number of ECTS credits allocated:</b>	5
<b>Name of lecturer(s):</b>	TBA
<p><b>Learning Outcomes of the course unit:</b></p> <p>Upon successful completion of this course students should be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discuss current economic issues</li> <li>• Explain how simple economic tools can explain complex economic phenomena</li> <li>• Understand Academic Text and analyze it</li> <li>• Formulate solutions to economic problems</li> <li>• Demonstrate organizational, inter-personal, communication and presentation skills</li> </ul>	
<b>Mode of Delivery:</b>	Face- to- face
<b>Prerequisites and co-requisites:</b>	ECO 101, ECO 102; Senior standing or consent of Instructor
<b>Recommended optional program components:</b>	None
<p><b>Course Contents:</b></p> <p><b>Objective:</b>  To enable students to perform state of the art research of the economic literature  To expose students to the current economic issues  To develop the ability to analyze economic problems and their effects on society  To give students the tools of communicating and presenting an economic issue</p> <p><b>Description:</b>  The course will focus on a particular topic (or topics) each term is offered suing academic journals and book chapters as current issues allow.  Possible topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Environmental Economics</li> <li>- Health Economics</li> <li>- Law and Economics</li> <li>- Economics of Taxation</li> </ul>	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Economics of Crime</li> <li>- Income Inequality and Poverty</li> <li>- Deficits and Public Debt</li> <li>- Global Economy health</li> <li>- Recent developments and contemporary issues pertaining to the subject-matter of the course.</li> </ul>											
<b>Recommended or required reading:</b>	Academic articles from periodicals										
<b>Planned learning activities and teaching methods:</b>	<table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">Class Instruction</td> <td style="border: 1px solid black; text-align: center;">42 Hours</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Consultation</td> <td style="border: 1px solid black; text-align: center;">15 Hours</td> </tr> </table>	Class Instruction	42 Hours	Consultation	15 Hours						
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<b>Language of Instruction:</b>	English										
<b>Work Placement(s):</b>	No										
<b>Place of Teaching:</b>	Regular Classroom European University Cyprus, Nicosia										