

Title				Code:
Local government finance in Europe				14.3.5390
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2	15	winter	Elective	English
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<b>Course description:</b>				
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Significance and functions of public finance and its local perspective.</li> <li>2. Place, role and structure of local governments in European countries.</li> <li>3. The nature and scope of financial independence of local governments in Europe.</li> <li>4. The budget as an instrument for financing public tasks - conditions in Europe.</li> <li>5. Revenues and expenditure of local government units in European countries.</li> <li>6. Debt of the local government and its role. Methods, instruments and borrowing debt limits in European countries.</li> <li>7. Issues of financial analysis of the local governments.</li> </ol>				
<b>Reading list:</b>				
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Z. Ševic, Local Public Finance in Central and Eastern Europe, Edward Elgar Publishing 2008.</li> <li>2. Local and Regional Government in Europe. Structures and Competences, CCRE, CEMR, Brussels.</li> <li>3. C. Panara, M. R. Varney (ed), Local Government in Europe: The 'Fourth Level' in the EU Multi-Layered system of governance, Routledge 2013.</li> <li>4. J. Jeżewski (red.), Samorząd terytorialny i administracja w wybranych krajach. Gmina w państwach Europy Zachodniej, Wrocław 1999.</li> <li>5. B. Dolnicki, Modele samorządu terytorialnego w wybranych państwach europejskich (w:) Samorząd terytorialny, Zakamycze 2003.</li> <li>6. Z. Niewiadomski, Samorząd terytorialny w Europie Zachodniej. Podstawowe założenia i modele, Warszawa 1990.</li> <li>7. B. Dolnicki, Modele samorządu terytorialnego w Europie i w Polsce, Katowice 1994</li> </ol>				
<b>Grading:</b>				
<p>The final grades are based on the score according the University terms of study:</p> <p>50% or less - 2,0 (fail)            &gt;50% - 3,0 (pass)            &gt;60% - 3,5 (pass +)            &gt;70% - 4,0 (good)            &gt;80% - 4,5 (good+)            &gt;90% - 5,0 (very good)</p>				
<b>Prerequisites:</b>				
There are no pre-requisites for this course				