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Module M.WIWI-VWL.0144: Migration Economics: Replication Course	
Learning outcome, core skills: The course addresses selected issues of international economic policy using methods of applied econometrics. By reading, discussing and re-estimating empirical papers on the topic, students should learn how to address politically relevant issues with the help of applied empirical analysis. The structured analysis of empirical papers using micro-econometric approaches will train general skills that are necessary for writing an empirical master thesis. By the end of the course, students will acquire the following competencies:	Workload: Attendance time: 56 h Self-study time: 124 h
 familiarity with research questions studying the causes and consequences of international and inter-regional migration both from the perspective of sending and host countries (regions) and the affected households, the ability to define a research question, familiarity with issues of causal identification and model selection, the ability to discuss the strengths and weaknesses of empirical strategies, the ability to perform and document an empirical analysis, the ability to interpret empirical results. Moreover, students will also broaden their skills of working with the statistical software Stata.	
Course: M.WIWI-VWL.0144.Lec Migration Economics: Replication Course (Lecture) <i>Contents</i> : The lecture discusses recently published empirical papers analyzing the causes and consequences of interregional and international migration. It will typically consist of discussions of about 6-7 empirical papers, out of which about 5 papers will also be re- estimated in the practical sessions. Each course participant is expected to read the papers in advance and to be willing to participate in classroom discussion based on the papers.	2 WLH
The required readings will consist of one empirical paper each week or each second week, all recently published in well-known economic journals.	
Course: M.WIWI-VWL.0144.Ex Migration Economics: Replication Course (Exercise) Contents: The practical part consists of exercise sessions in the CIP-pool that focus on re- estimating parts of the papers discussed in the lecture in form of weekly exercise sheets, using the statistical software Stata. In the first few weeks, a short introduction to data management in Stata will be given. The practical sessions aim to prepare students to performing an empirical analysis of their own.	2 WLH
Examination: Practical examination: 6 weekly assignments M.WIWI-VWL.0144.1: Migration Economics: Replication Course	2 C
Examination: Practical examination: final report (max. 12 pages) M.WIWI-VWL.0144.Mp: Migration Economics: Replication Course	4 C

Examination prerequisites: For both examinations: 1 brief essay on the topic of the course (1 page)	
Examination requirements: The first part of the practical examination consists of up to twelve weekly (or bi-weekly) assignments that are prepared and discussed in advance during the tutorials. Students are expected to finish the exercises over the week and hand in a final version of their solution. Submitted solutions are evaluated and the collected points are added to those of the final report. The second part of the practical examination consists of performing and documenting an empirical analysis on a pre-defined topic related to the focus of the course. The written documentation should explain and discuss the empirical analysis. A detailed question sheet to guide the empirical analysis and its documentation will be provided.	

Admission requirements:	Recommended previous knowledge: M WIWI-QMW 0004 Econometrics I
	M.WIWI-QMW.0005 Econometrics II basic skills in Stata are helpful
Language: English	Person responsible for module: Prof. Dr. Krisztina Kis-Katos
Course frequency: each summer semester	Duration: 1 semester[s]
Number of repeat examinations permitted: twice	Recommended semester: 2 - 4
Maximum number of students: 20	
Additional notes and regulations:	

Participation is limited by the practical module examination.