Course description

Introduction into Financial Economics

1. Course name, ECTS, quarter/semester, contact hours

Introduction into Financial Economics, 3 ECTS, quarter 4, 42 contact hours

2. Author of the course:

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3. Outline

The course is an introduction to economy and finance. It includes outline of the main concepts of economy, public and corporate finance. Course is divided into eight topics listed below. First group of topics presents the history of financial system in Russia. In this part students learn the main stages of the system's development. The second group describes the details of current budget and banking system of Russia. This part is devoted to federal, regional and municipal budgets, and to structure and main principals of banking system function. The third group presents the concepts of corporate finances which include investments, taxes, fixed and circulating capital management. The fourth one describes the international financial institutions. To the end of the course students should know the conception of corporate and public finance, banking, taxation and international economic institutions.

4. Structure and content

- 1. Conception and content of financial economics
- 2. The history of Russian finance
- 3. The basic foundation of budget system of Russia
- 4. The banking system of Russia
- 5. Corporate financial management
- 6. Corporate operation activity
- 7. Corporate taxes
- 8. International financial system

5. Prerequisites

The course is introductory, so it doesn't demand the special preparation in finance, but the students should know English at the intermediate level.

6. Assessment

Individual assignment (30%) A team project including the production of a report and group presentation (30%) Written examination (40%)