

SUBJECT TEACHING GUIDE

G946 - The Economy of Social Expenditure

Degree in Economics

Academic year 2019-2020

1. IDENTIFYING DATA					
Degree	Degree in Economics			Type and Year	Compulsory. Year 3
Faculty	Faculty of Economics and Business Studies				
Discipline	Subject Area: Economics of Public Expenditure Module: Training in Public Economics				
Course unit title and code	G946 - The Economy of Social Expenditure				
Number of ECTS credits allocated	6	Term	Semester based (2)		
Web					
Language of instruction	Spanish	English Friendly	Yes	Mode of delivery	Face-to-face

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3.1 LEARNING OUTCOMES

- KNOWING THE THEORETICAL CONCEPTS OF THE ECONOMY OF SOCIAL EXPENDITURE (ELEMENTS AND FINANCING).
- MANAGING AND RESOLVING ISSUES RELATED TO THE PROBLEM OF SOCIAL EXPENDITURE AND THEIR FINANCING USING PROGRAMS AND DATABASES.
- UNDERSTANDING THE NEED FOR THE INTERVENTION OF THE PUBLIC SECTOR IN A MARKET ECONOMY, FOCUSING ON SOCIAL EXPENDITURES

4. OBJECTIVES

- Justify the economic reasons and fundamentals of the social spending as well as the evaluation of public policies.
- Evaluate the intervention of the public sector especially in the case of social expenditure
- Assess the economic effects of revenues and, in particular, taxes and their destination (sometimes even finalist type) to social expenses
- Understand the latest contributions of the Social Spending Economics

6. COURSE ORGANIZATION

CONTENTS

1	<p>THEMATIC ANALYSIS 1: INTRODUCTION TO THE STUDY OF THE ECONOMY OF SOCIAL EXPENDITURE</p> <p>1.1 THE ECONOMICS OF PUBLIC SPENDING AND PUBLIC POLICY EVALUATION</p> <p>The Economics of Public Spending. Theories explaining the growth of public expenditure. Evolution and characteristics of public expenditure. Thematic developments of various items of public and social expenditure. The evaluation of public policies.</p>
2	<p>THEMATIC ANALYSIS 2: ECONOMIC ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE IN PRIORITY GOODS</p> <p>2.1 PUBLIC EXPENDITURE: HEALTH</p> <p>The Welfare State. Distribution of public expenditure on health: theory and practice</p> <p>2.2 PUBLIC EXPENDITURE: EDUCATION</p> <p>The Welfare State. Distribution of public expenditure on education: theory and practice</p> <p>2.3 PUBLIC EXPENDITURE: HOUSING</p> <p>The Welfare State. Distribution of public expenditure in housing: theory and practice</p>
3	<p>THEMATIC ANALYSIS 3: ECONOMIC ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE ON ECONOMIC BENEFITS</p> <p>3.1 PUBLIC EXPENDITURE: PENSIONS</p> <p>The Welfare State. Distribution of public pension expenditure: theory and practice</p> <p>3.2 PUBLIC EXPENDITURE: UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS</p> <p>The Welfare State. Distribution of public expenditure on unemployment benefits: theory and practice</p> <p>3.3 PUBLIC EXPENDITURE: POVERTY PROGRAMS</p> <p>The Welfare State. Distribution of public expenditure in poverty reduction programs: theory and practice</p>
4	<p>THEMATIC ANALYSIS 4: ECONOMIC EVALUATION OF PUBLIC AND SOCIAL EXPENDITURE</p> <p>4.1 COST-BENEFIT ANALYSIS AND COST-EFFECTIVENESS OF PUBLIC AND SOCIAL EXPENDITURE</p> <p>Public spending and efficiency and welfare economics. Evaluation, discount rates and decision rules. Evaluation of efficiency and equity.</p> <p>4.2 EVALUATION AND LEGAL CONTROL OF PUBLIC AND SOCIAL EXPENDITURE</p> <p>Evaluation and control of the public sector: public companies, regions or public administration. Institutionalization of the control of the public sector and social expenditures</p>

7. ASSESSMENT METHODS AND CRITERIA

Description	Type	Final Eval.	Reassessn	%
PROOF OF INFORMATICS (LABORATORY).	Laboratory evaluation	No	No	15,00
TEAM WORK	Work	No	No	20,00
FINAL EXAM. CONTINUOUS EVALUATION	Written exam	Yes	Yes	50,00
DURING THE ACADEMIC COURSE	Others	No	No	15,00
TOTAL				100,00
Observations				
Extraordinary exam that it will include the same structure of the final examination of the ordinary proof				
Observations for part-time students				
Exam that will consist of 5 questions that will add a total of 10 points combining theory and practical exercises with two distinct parts: - Examination of theoretical knowledge of 3 questions (to be developed) and evaluated in two points each. Total: 6 points. - Evaluation exam of 2 practical cases of two points each. Total: 4 points.				

8. BIBLIOGRAPHY AND TEACHING MATERIALS

BASIC

Cantarero, D., Blazquez, C., Pascual, M. y Coteró, G. (2019): Ejercicios de economía del gasto social. Santander: TGD.