Part 1. Economic inequality, micro: reward determination in the labor market

Meeting 1. Inequality between individuals: human capacities

Thursday 31 March, kl 13.00-14.45, F3154


Meeting 2. Inequality between positions: social hierarchies -

Thursday 7 April, kl 13.00-14.45, F347


Meeting 3. Social class: power or efficiency?

Thursday 14 April, kl 13.00-14.45, F307


https://books.google.se/books?id=c9fdpN4fVnEC&pg=PA101&lpg=PA101&dq=social+class+and+the+differentiation+of+employment+contracts&source=bl&ots=YivUmTJjq-&sig=ZJqjNV34-iCIK6oFTcYrp0Psc7E&hl=sv&sa=X&ved=0ahUKEwjkt7q4zZ_LAhWKFJoKHajACBEQ6AEI JzAB#v=onepage&q=social%20class%20and%20the%20differentiation%20of%20employment%20contracts&f=false


Meeting 4. Gender and ethnicity in the labor market

Thursday 21 April, kl 13.00-14.45, F4204


Part 2. Economic inequality, macro: variations across countries and over time

Meeting 5. Differences across OECD countries in economic inequality

Thursday 28 April, kl 13.00-14.45, F4204


Thursday 12 May, kl 13.00-14.45, F4204


Meeting 7. Political causes of changes in growth and inequality in OECD countries

Thursday 19 May, kl 13.00-14.45, F4204

Brady, David and Kevin T. Leicht. 2008. “Party to inequality: Right party power and income inequality in affluent Western democracies.” Research in Social Stratification and Mobility, 26: 77-106.


Meeting 8. Economic growth and inequality in the whole world

Thursday 26 May, kl 13.00-14.45, F363


Meetings and examination

The course runs during eleven weeks (weeks 13-23, 2016) at half-time pace. There are eight 2-hour meetings during the course. At each meeting (except meeting 1) the first hour consists of an overview lecture and the second hour of a seminar with expected active participation of all students.

Written examination has two parts:
(a) Short reviews (400-600 words summary plus 150-250 words individual reflection) of each item (ca 30 items in total) in the course literature.
(b) A brief essay (5000-7000 words, corresponding to ca 12 pages of text with 1.5 line spacing) in the form of answers to a take-home exam (the exam is distributed at the last meeting, Thursday 26 May). The essay should be a discussion text with independent reasoning on the basis of the course literature (although other sources may also be used).

There are four requirements for passing the course:
(a) active participation at all meetings (absence from one meeting is accepted without compensation);
(b) one prepared introductory discussion (5-10 minutes) at one of the seminars;
(c) completion of all review texts (see above);
(d) completion of essay (take-home exam, see above).

The reviews of the literature should be sent by e-mail to MT (see address below) close in time to the meeting where the respective texts are discussed (except the first meeting). The take-home exam essay should be delivered by e-mail to MT within two weeks (14 days) after the last meeting (at which the take-home exam is distributed), i.e., the last essay delivery date is Thursday 9 June, 2016. By that date, at the latest, all literature reviews should also be delivered (but normally they should be delivered close in time to the relevant meeting; see above). All complete deliveries meeting the deadline will be graded by 21 June, 2016. Late delivery (after 9 June, 2016) of the essay or the reviews is accepted, but may affect grading negatively (see below) and involve grading delays of unknown length.

Grading is made on a seven-point scale, A to F; criteria are given in the course plan. Only complete deliveries meeting the deadline can be graded higher than D.

Michael Tåhlin
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