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Overview

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General description of e-learning element and content

Content Overview

The course is organised in four main modules. It gives a very comprehensive overview on the role of economics in dealing with scarce resources and fair allocation of goods and services in healthcare.

The course provides an introduction into measuring the flow of funds in a health system through different forms of healthcare financing arrangements. It discusses the reasons why healthcare should not be left to the market allocation mechanism and why government might intervene. The course reflects on uncertainty both with regard to accidents or diseases and the effectiveness of treatment, and it addresses what this means for financing healthcare.

Health insurance theory, and in particular, moral hazard and adverse selection are discussed. The major forms of financing healthcare are reviewed, including the role of private health insurance. One module reflects on universal health coverage and the need for a moral basis when justifying large-scale government intervention. The course looks at many practical aspects that need to be considered when setting up a healthcare group purchasing organisation.

Main Topics

Module 1: Illness, economics and the financing of healthcare

Module 2: Justice and efficiency

Module 3: Uncertainty and health insurance
Module 4: Putting theory into practice: some elements of a healthcare group purchasing organisation

The course is part of our certificate programme in Social Protection, which includes a package of selected e-learning courses and five face-to-face courses.

Course details

Course organisation

The course is offered as an e-learning course, providing a flexibility to the students to enter and complete the modules at their convenience. It uses a mixture of content in lecture modus, case studies on practical implication of the concepts, self-assessment questions, and case studies.

Two electronic platforms for organisational questions and technical questions give students the opportunity for direct contact with the main tutor of the course and technical experts who are ready to answer questions and give additional input in case of need at any time.

The course has a total duration of 90 hours (student investment time), including modules completion, reading materials, discussions on the online platform, and possible chats with tutors or experts.

The course is part of our Certificate in Social Protection programme, but it can be taken separately.

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Types of assessment

E.g., exams, assessments, projects

ECTS points (max.)

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E-learning element is part of a study programme

Yes

Name of study programme

Certificate in Social Protection

Enrolment for study programme necessary

Yes

Phase(s) of attendance

No

Average number of participants per group/course

15

International elements

- Interactive exchange with international students and teachers
- International guest lecturers
- Courses are led with foreign partners
- Projects with partners in Germany and abroad
- International comparisons and thematic reference to the international context
- Content-related regional focus

Costs / Requirements / Registration
Costs  
600 EUR (or 3,500 EUR for the certificate in Social Protection)

**Academic admission requirements**
- Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree or completion of a Master’s degree or medical degree programme in medicine or dentistry.
- English proficiency
- The participants should be currently working in an area of social protection or planning to do so in the future.

**Language requirements**  
Excellent command of English

**Required technical equipment**  
Internet access

**Registration necessary**  
Yes

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