

ECP77230— Research Methods for Economic Policy Analysis

Module Information	
Module Code	ECP77230
Module Title	Research Methods for Economic Policy Analysis
Department	Economics
Year Group	1
Module Personnel	Prof. Gustav Fredriksson
Academic Year	2026-27
Credit Weighting	5 credits
Semester	Full year
Contact Hours	16 hours of lectures and additional tutorials during the year

Module Content	
Module Description	The aim of this module is to introduce students to research methodologies and research topics in the field of economics with the aim of preparing students for completing a dissertation in the second semester. We will discuss what research in economics is and compare different research techniques and approaches. The module will give background on what is expected in an MSc dissertation, discuss how to develop a research idea, find the relevant literature and data, as well as writing and presenting effectively. The module will be delivered through a combination of lectures, seminar attendance, discussions and student presentations.
Learning Outcomes	Upon completion of the course the students should be able to: 1. Critically evaluate research in economics across a broad range of field 2. Compare different research techniques and approaches 3. Be knowledgeable about how to write papers in economics and apply this to their dissertation 4. Clearly communicate their ideas and present effectively 5. Plan a comprehensive dissertation which will connect closely with the MSc course



Assessment

Assessment Components

100% Research Proposal and Presentation

Additional Information

Prerequisites

None

Co-requisites

None