

Module Details	
Module Title	Contemporary Issues in Economics
Module Code	AFE6018-B
Academic Year	2024/5
Credits	20
School	School of Management
FHEQ Level	FHEQ Level 6

Contact Hours	
Type	Hours
Lectures	24
Directed Study	176

Availability	
Occurrence	Location / Period
BDA	University of Bradford / Semester 2

Module Aims
To introduce you to the latest developments in applied economics, allowing you to develop a deep understanding of current economic issues and the arguments underlying policy making.

Outline Syllabus
<p>Topics will vary to reflect current economic policy debates, but may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Policies to combat global warming</li> <li>* Regulation of tech giants</li> <li>* Alleviation of poverty</li> <li>* Paternalism vs libertarianism</li> <li>* The impact of migration</li> </ul>

Learning Outcomes	
Outcome Number	Description
01	Be conversant with the most recent major developments in economics in the national and global context. Understand the theoretical foundations underpinning contemporary issues in economics; Understand what applied research has found when examining these issues.
02	Critically evaluate a range of contemporary economic issues in terms of their causes and consequences; Appreciate the alternative policy options in relation to a range of contemporary economic issues.
03	Demonstrate written presentation skills; utilise library and IT resources.

Learning, Teaching and Assessment Strategy
<p>A range of economic policy issues will be discussed during lectures. In each case, relevant theory will be presented to explain why competitive markets may not give rise to efficient or desirable outcomes and what market interventions may be available to policy makers, The latest empirical evidence will then be reviewed. Students will have an opportunity to test their analytical skills during worked examples in class and by working through a range of practice questions.</p> <p>The assessment will test students' ability to apply the theoretical and empirical evidence from the lectures to a range of economic policy problems.</p>

Mode of Assessment			
Type	Method	Description	Weighting
Summative	Examination - Open Book	Examination - Open Book (3 hours)	100%

Reading List
To access the reading list for this module, please visit <a href="https://bradford.rl.talis.com/index.html">https://bradford.rl.talis.com/index.html</a>

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