

ECONOMICS I -- Introduction to Economics and Microeconomics  
BIM 3rd semester -- WS 2011/12

Assessment:

The assessment is a LEARNING PORTFOLIO. This is a relatively new type of assessment in which the students document their own responsibility for their learning process and learning outcome.

Theoretical definition from the module handbook: "A Learning Portfolio consists of several parts which include individual as well as team results. Part of the final performance are the reflective statements in which the teams and every student critically reviews and evaluates the individual and teams' learning process as well as the roles of the different partial assessments.

These partial assessments may be essays, concept papers, individual or team presentations, webpages, weblogs, reflected literature research in form of documented bibliographies, own analyses including the documentation of case studies, applied methods, term papers, exercises, oral/written tests or also other types that can be proposed to the lecturer. "

Required parts of the Learning Portfolio in this class are:

Type	Who	due	Weight	Remarks
Expectations	Individual	19. Oct	-	~ ¼ pages. Individual expectations for this module.
Exercises (homework)	Teams (→ groups)	cont.	15%	Team homework presented in the Module Exercise.
Exercises (homework)	Individual	cont.	15%	Individual participation in the team homework and presentation in class (Module exercise).
Case study	Teams (→ groups)	cont.	40%	Each team selects a firm or a specific market (to be approved by the lecturer) as cases for the topics discussed in class.
Test	Individual	last week of class (23 – 27 Jan 2012)	30%	Short test of ~30 minutes about the main topics of the class. The test may be replaced by another of the partial assessments listed above - if approved by the lecturer.
Reflection about the individual learning process	Individual	17. Feb 2012	-	~ 1 page. Reflection of the module, its parts and topics as well as the individual learning process.
Reflection about the teamwork	Teams or groups	17. Feb 2012	-	~ 2 pages. Reflection of the learning / social processes within the team and the class as a whole.

The elements of the reflections will be discussed in class during the semester.

The parts with a weight of “-“ will not be marked but have to be delivered in order to receive a mark for the module. Normally all parts of the mark have to be passed.