Topics in Macroeconomics VII:  
Topics in Macro-Finance

2017-2018 Academic Year  
Master of Research in Economics, Finance and Management

- Topics in Macroeconomics VII  
- Total credits: 3 ECTS  
- Code: 32101  
- Workload: 75 hours  
- Type of subject: Optative  
- Department of Economics and Business  
- Term: 3rd  
- Teaching team: Vladimir Asriyan
1. Description of the subject

The course will cover selected topics in the field of macro-finance. The objective of the course is to familiarize students with some of the frontier theoretical research in the field.

2. Teaching guide

- **Introduction**
  The course will cover selected topics in the field of macro-finance. Specifically, it will focus on theoretical analyses of various forms of financial market imperfections, and their implications for macroeconomic activity and policy. Core graduate (e.g., Master’s level) courses in macro- and micro-economics are prerequisites for this class.

- **Contents**
  First, we will study the basic concepts in information economics, such as market failures resulting from information asymmetries and the ways in which markets may attempt to overcome them. Second, we will study how these concepts and ideas can be applied to understand various questions in macroeconomics and finance.

- **Assessment and Grading System**
  Grading will be based on in-class participation (e.g., presentations), problem sets and/or a final exam. The allocation of points is yet to be determined.