

M2 Business Ethics and Corporate Governance			
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Content

Business Ethics

- Why ethics in business?
- The market as an invisible hand
- The implicit morality of the market
- The anthropology of economics homo oeconomicus
- The corporation as a non-human actor power and trust in business
- Responsibility towards employees
- Responsibility towards consumers and society
- Globalization, sustainability and responsibility towards future generations
- Managing business ethics
- Case studies

Prerequisite for participation

None

Preparation / Reading

- Students are expected to read the materials outside of class in order to create an environment for class discussion. A concrete research question related to the topic of the day is offered for further engagement with the topic in each session. In addition, YouTube lectures or TED-talks are suggested for each topic.
- Scholarly articles discussed in class

Intendend learning outcomes

- Understanding and critical reflection over the guiding values of business ethics.
- Understanding the social environment of a corporation and its responsibilities beyond making profit.

Teaching & learning methods

- Highly Interactive Teaching and Learning
- Teamwork on Cases

Literature

Business Ethics

General recommended readings:

- Joseph R DesJardins / John J. McCain: Contemporary Issues in Business Ethics, Cengage Learning, sixth ed., 2014
- Andrew Crane / Dirk Matten: Business Ethics, Oxford University Press, third ed.
 2010
- Tobey Scharding: This is Business Ethics, An Introduction, Wiley Blackwell, 2018

Specific recommended readings:

- Niccolo Machiavelli: The Prince, 1532
- John Locke: The Second Treaties on Government, 1689
- Michael J Sandel: What Money Can't Buy, 2012
- Amartya Sen: The Idea of Justice, 2010



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Course organisation

ECTS-Credits	sws		Language		
6	4		English		
Kind of module	Turnus		Duration		
Compulsory module	Winter term		1 semester		
Workload					
6 ECTS-Credits: 180 hours, combined out of:					
Attendance	Preparation / Homework /		Time for exercise and group		
	Self-study		work		
45 hours	45 hours		30 hours		
Semester project /	Exam preparation		Exam time		
Presentation					
30 hours	30 hours		120 Minutes		
Prerequirement for the exam					
None					
Exam requirements		Weighting in examination			
 Essay examination covering topics 		Final grade:			
from lecture and recommended		 100% Written Exam 			
readings.					