

Course Title: **Empirical Labour Economics**

Course Code: **ECON807**

Descriptor Start Date: **01/01/2025**

POINTS: **15.00**

LEVEL: **8**

PREREQUISITE/S:

COREQUISITE/S:

RESTRICTION/S: **378012**

## LEARNING HOURS

Hours may include lectures, tutorials, online forums, laboratories. Refer to your timetable and course information in Canvas for detailed information.

**Total learning hours: 150**

## PRESCRIPTOR

A critical examination of concepts, theories, empirical methods, and findings in the field of Labour Economics. Beyond the study of labour demand and labour supply, it explores current developments in the field, such as the effects of immigration, the effects of new technologies, the importance of non-cognitive skills, the development of platform workers. Examines both positive (descriptive) and normative (prescriptive) aspects of labour market policies.

## LEARNING OUTCOMES

1. Provide precise definitions of key concepts used in the academic labour economics literature.
2. Provide stylised facts and news and discuss challenges on various labour market topics.
3. Define and discuss key labour theory models and their underlying assumptions.
4. Critically examine empirical validity of theories and policy implications.

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## CONTENT

Selected topics from (but not limited to) the following list:

- Demand and supply in the labour market
  - Active labour market policies
  - Labour market institutions
  - Effects of immigration
  - Effects of new technologies
6. Discrimination in the labour market
  7. Cognitive vs non-cognitive skills
  8. Pay for performance
  9. Platform workers

## LEARNING & TEACHING STRATEGIES

An appropriate range of strategies that may include lectures, workshops & online learning.

## ASSESSMENT PLAN

Assessment Event	Weighting %	Learning Outcomes
Scientific article review and critique (individual)	25.00	2,3,4
Empirical project (individual)	50.00	1,2,3,4
Presentation of the empirical project (individual)	25.00	1,2,3,4

### Grade Map

#### MAP1

A+ A A- Pass with Distinction  
B+ B B- Pass with Merit  
C+ C C- Pass  
D Fail

### Overall requirement/s to pass the course:

## LEARNING RESOURCES

Details of all learning resources (including journals, databases, websites etc) are available on Canvas. Required Text(s): If there is a required text, details are available by searching the University Bookshop's website: [www.ubs.co.nz](http://www.ubs.co.nz)

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**Principal Programme:** AK1060, Master of Business

**Related Programme/s:** AK3712 BBus(Hons), AK3741 PgDipBus, AK3742 PgCertBus

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