# Economic Geography (Master’s degree)

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***COURSE AIMS AND INTENDED LEARNING OUTCOMES***

The aim of the course is to provide an overview of the structures, the dynamics, and the problems of the contemporary economic space.

At the end of the course, students will be able to describe and interpret, starting from the analysis of single or complex economic facts, the regional differences existing in the world (at every level, from the local to the global one).

***COURSE CONTENT***

1. Introduction.

– Geography as the science of territorial organisation.

– The issue of “scale” and the tools of geography.

– Economic geography as a part of the study of geography.

2. Population and settlements.

– Population dynamics.

– The population distribution.

– Types of settlement.

3. The location of economic activities.

– The location of service activities.

– The location of manufacturing activities.

– Land use for farming.

4. Flows and networks.

– Flows of trade.

– Flows and financial centres.

– Transport and communications networks.

5. Development and the environment.

– The world-system.

– Economic development, human development, sustainable development.

– Global warming.

***READING LIST***

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE SEEN THE RECORDINGS OF THE LESSONS IT IS POSSIBLE TO BRING THE CONTENTS OF THE RECORDED LESSONS TO THE EXAM.

FOR ALL THE OTHERS:

S. Conti- G. Dematteis- F. Nano- A. Vanolo, *Geografia dell’economia mondiale*, Utet Università, Torino, 2022, Quinta edizione.

***TEACHING METHOD***

Frontal lectures in class.

***ASSESSMENT METHOD AND CRITERIA***

The exam is written and consists of three questions lasting 60 minutes.

Students will be tested on their knowledge of the topics threated inside the course, the lexical preciseness of the exposure, and the accuracy of their answers, critical and autonomy skills.

***NOTES AND PREREQUISITES***

Further information can be found on the lecturer’s webpage at http://docenti.unicatt.it/web/searchByName.do?language=ENG or on the Faculty notice board.