



## An enriching week in Barcelona

The Faculty of Economics and Business of the University of Barcelona (UB) created on 2014 the UB ECONOMICS SUMMER SCHOOL to offer an enriching academic and personal experience during the first week of July.

UB ECONOMICS SUMMER SCHOOL aims to offer the latest research developed in some of the 24 economic fields in which our faculty is focused. The third, 2016 will offer two complementary courses on the Economics of Imperfect Labour Markets.

UB Faculty of Economics and Business is one of the largest economics faculties in Catalonia. In fact, the University of Barcelona is the top South European University in the QS World University rankings and the third Economics institution in Spain based on IDEAS Top Economics Departments.

Would you find any better place to study in July than Barcelona? The city, while one of the most prosperous in southern Europe, is nevertheless highly affordable, offering a great quality of living, is open and cosmopolitan and has an important cultural heritage which can be visited.



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# SUMMER SCHOOL 2016

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## THE ECONOMICS OF IMPERFECT LABOUR MARKETS

The Economics of Imperfect Labour Markets examines the many institutions that have a bearing on worker and employer behaviour in imperfect labour markets. These include minimum wages, equal opportunity legislation, employment protection legislation, and unemployment benefits.

The Summer School aims to provide students with the tools to understand and address current challenges in labour market analysis from a theoretical and empirical perspective. The lectures will follow the book *The Economics of Imperfect Labor Markets*, 2nd Edition, Princeton University Press (by Tito Boeri and Jan van Ours), a world-renowned textbook on labour economics for advanced undergraduate and graduate students.

Academic Coordinator for the 2016 edition: Raul Ramos (Universitat de Barcelona)

**DATES** July 4th-8th, 2016

COURSE I: Labour market institutions. 9:30 - 11:00 h

COURSE II: Labour market institutions: Empirical applications. 11:30 - 13:00h

Courses will be recognized by the University of Barcelona as 1 ECTS credits each

### TUITION FEES

	General fee	Student fee
1 course	400 €	300 €
2 courses	600 €	400 €

Fees cover coffee breaks, the welcome dinner, the farewell cocktail party and any material required for the course.

They do not cover accommodation, transport or any other services.

## COURSE I. Labour market institutions



### THE LECTURER

**Jan van Ours** is Professor of Labour Economics at the Department of Economics, Tilburg University. He is also professorial fellow at the Department of Economics, University of Melbourne and CentER, CES-Ifo, CREAM, IZA and CEPR Fellow. He has been president of the European Association of Labour Economics and the European Society of Population Economics. In 2009 he became Associate Editor of the journal *Labour Economics*.

### THE COURSE

The course carefully defines and measures selected labour market institutions to accurately characterize their effects, and discusses how these institutions are being changed by political and economic forces.

**Session 1.** Introduction

**Session 2.** Minimum wages

**Session 3.** Anti-discrimination legislation

**Session 4.** Employment protection legislation

**Session 5.** Unemployment benefits

### REGISTRATION

- Registration is completed online at the UB Economics Summer School website: <http://www.ub.edu/ubeconomics/summer-school/>
- Deadline for registration: June 15th, 2016
- All registrations are subject to availability of places and are accepted on a first come, first served basis. Registrations received after the deadline will only be considered if seats become available due to cancellations.

## COURSE II. Labour market institutions: Empirical applications



### THE LECTURER

**Antonio Di Paolo** is Assistant Professor at the Department of Econometrics, Statistics and Applied Economics of the University of Barcelona and a researcher with the Quantitative Regional Analysis Research Group. He holds a PhD in Applied Economics from the Autonomous University of Barcelona and an MSc in Economics from the University of Bologna. His research interests cover different empirical aspects of labour economics and education economics.

### THE COURSE

The aim of the course is to provide quantitative examples, data and STATA programming files enabling users to replicate key results of the literature on selected topics about the effects of labour market institutions. All classes will be held in a computer room.

**Session 1.** The Beveridge curve and the matching function: Introduction to STATA

**Session 2.** Employment effects of minimum wages: quasi-experimental approaches

**Session 3.** Gender wage gaps and discrimination: decomposition analysis

**Session 4.** Ethnic discrimination: experimental evidence

**Session 5.** Unemployment benefits and duration analysis

### SCHOLARSHIPS

- Master and PhD students seeking financial aid may apply for one of the five scholarships available, which cover up to 100% of the tuition fees. Applicants should add a covering letter and a CV to their online registration request.
- Deadline for registration including scholarship application: June 1st, 2016.
- Applications will be reviewed by the academic coordinator. Candidates will be informed of the decision by June 15th, 2016.