PhD course in Public Economics spring term 2014

Uppsala Center for Fiscal Studies, Norwegian Center for Taxation (Bergen) and Oslo Fiscal Studies are together with Professor Jukka Pirttilä, University of Tampere, organizing a PhD course in Public Economics in the spring of 2014. The organizers invite PhD students in economics from all the Nordic countries to attend the course.

A first week of the course will be taught in Oslo March 10-14 and a second week in Uppsala May 13-16. The week in March is taught by Professor Robin Boadway, Queen's University, Canada. It will cover key areas of public economics and tax analysis in particular. The plan for the week in Oslo is to have four lecture hours per day Monday thru Friday.

The week in May is a topics course taught by Spencer Bastani (Uppsala University), Mike Brewer (University of Essex), Jukka Pirttilä (University of Tampere), Guttorm Schjelderup (Norwegian School of Economics, Bergen), Jan Södersten (Uppsala University), Håkan Selin (Uppsala, IFAU) and Matti Tuomala (University of Tampere). The topics covered will be: empirical methods in Public Economics, computational methods in Public Economics, redistribution and incentives to work over the lifecycle, corporate taxation, profit shifting and tax havens. There will also be room for student presentations. A preliminary schedule for the Uppsala week is attached.

There will be one home exam for each week of the course. The Oslo part will yield 8 ECTS Credits and the Uppsala part will yield 6 ECTS. (The final decision of how many points are credited will be up to the home institution of each student, according to local practice.) There are no formal prerequisites, but participants will be expected to have some background in public economics. The organizers expect to cover accommodation and travel (economy class) expenses for the participants, and there is no course fee.

Registration

The deadline for registration for the Oslo week is February 7. For further information and to register, please, go to http://www.sv.uio.no/econ/english/research/centres/ofs/ (or google Oslo Fiscal Studies, see PhD courses in Public Economics), or, in the event of problems, send an email to Marianne L. Johansson (m.l.johansson@econ.uio.no) with information about your name, working address, e-mail, where you are a PhD student.

The deadline for registration for the Uppsala week is April 7. Send an email to Katarina Grönvall (<u>katarina.gronvall@nek.uu.se</u>) with information about your name, working address, e-mail, where you are a PhD student. Students who want to present a paper should submit a copy of the paper to Katarina Grönvall by April 14.

Looking forward to see you in Oslo and Uppsala

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