



School of Economics and Management

## NEKH52, Economics: Environmental Economics, 7.5 credits

*Nationalekonomi: Miljöekonomi, 7,5 högskolepoäng*  
First Cycle / Grundnivå

---

### Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by The Board of the Department of Economics on 2011-06-07 to be valid from 2011-06-07, autumn semester 2011.

### General Information

*Language of instruction:* English

*Main field of studies*

Economics

*Depth of study relative to the degree requirements*

G1F, First cycle, has less than 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

### Learning outcomes

#### 1. Knowledge and understanding

Students shall:

- have a good knowledge of the basic topics in environmental and natural resource economics,
- be familiar with methods of positive and normative analysis of environmental and natural resource allocation problems,
- be able to explain the motives for public policy instruments as taxes and regulations in a market economy,
- be able to assess relevant environmental aspects in published reports, proposals and other documents,
- be able to describe the effects of environmental policies on efficiency, distribution and equity issues in a market economy.

#### 2. Skills and abilities

Students shall have the ability to independently:

- apply a social economic view to environmental and natural resource problems,

- use appropriate economic thinking to various environmental problems,
- evaluate whether an environmental policy instrument being used is reasonable from efficiency and sustainable aspects,
- communicate and explain their analyses and conclusions clearly and unambiguously.

### 3. Applying knowledge and making judgements

Students shall have developed the ability to pursue further studies in the subject and shall be able to search for and evaluate information with a degree of independence.

## Course content

The course provides an organized, and comprehensive overview of theoretical and empirical aspects of environmental and natural resource policies. Topics covered include problems related to global public goods, externalities, resource scarcity, policy instruments and their effects on efficiency, income distribution and equity. Special attention is given to globalisation issues. Gender perspectives are noticed when relevant.

## Course design

1. Teaching: Teaching consists of lectures, seminars and assigned readings.

## Assessment

1. Examination: Written exams take place at the end of the course. There will be further opportunities for examination close to this date. The examination may also consist of assignments during the course.
2. Limitations on the number of examination opportunities: –

The University views plagiarism very seriously, and will take disciplinary action against students for any kind of attempted malpractice in connection with examinations and assessments. Plagiarism is considered to be a very serious academic offence. The penalty that may be imposed for this, and other unfair practices in examinations or assessments, includes suspension from the University for a specified period.

*Subcourses that are part of this course can be found in an appendix at the end of this document.*

## Grades

Marking scale: Fail, E, D, C, B, A.

1. Grading: The official grading scale is A, B, C, D, E and Fail.
2. Weighting grades from different parts of the course: –
3. Grading scales for different parts of the course: –

## Entry requirements

At least 7.5 ECTS-credits in basic microeconomics are needed for admission to all intermediate courses in economics.

## Further information

1. Transitional regulations: This course replaces NEKK22 "Environmental Economics".
2. Limitations in the period of validity: –
3. Limitations: This course may not be included in the same degree as NEK663 "Environmental Economics" or NEKK22 "Environmental Economics".
4. Similar courses: –
5. Limitations in renewed examination: –

## Subcourses in NEKH52, Economics: Environmental Economics

Applies from V13

1101 Environmental Economics, 7,5 hp  
Grading scale: Fail, E, D, C, B, A