

ERA 203 Corporate Social Responsibility & Business Ethics

5 ECTS

Objective - Course description

The aim of this module is to make business students think about the ethical dilemmas implied in business decisions as well as to show students why and how some companies have decided to embrace social responsibility.

Students will be incited to question and analyse the impact some business activities and decisions have on various stakeholders. The module should also enable them to think about their role as socially responsible consumers, employees, citizens or investors.

Learning content

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- Fields covered by CSR
- Main actors in the world of CSR
- Stakeholders in a CSR approach
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- CSR implementation in companies
- Communicating about CSR

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Methodology

Individual preparations at home and class participation. Students will have to read articles or book chapters, consult websites, view some programmes before coming to class. Class contributions through various activities: oral presentations, role-plays or debates where students will have to demonstrate the use of the acquired notions in a relevant class context.

Research and case studies as group assignments.

Learning material

Use of Moodle with access to articles, video programmes, websites, PowerPoint presentations and Word presentations of the main topics. Possible use of TEAMS for meetings with students from other groups to share information and participate to a virtual fair or poster session when necessary.

Evaluation

50% continuous assessment made up of the different individual and group assignments

50% written exam