



WEST AFRICAN ECONOMICS AND DEVELOPMENT

APA Program: Dakar Summer

Language of instruction: French

US semester credits: 4.0

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Course Description

This module aims to understand the theory of development economics. It will enable students to be able to better define the notions of economics, growth and study the historical and contemporary thinking in terms of development and to better recognize the different models and theories of development.

Course work will also allow students to clearly identify the various actors in development of Western Africa and to establish a diagnostic of the countries within this region. Finally, this unit will analyze the current economic dynamics and seek to trace the outlook for the region.

Teaching method: Lecture, group interaction and interviews with various contacts and stakeholders in the sector.

Schedule

- Part 1 The Concept of Development
 - The notion of richness and poverty
 - The historical evolution of the concept
- Part 2 Theories and Models of Development
 - The approach of developmentalists
 - The approach of heterodox
- Part 3 The Actors in West African Economics
 - Identifying the stakeholders
 - Role and economical and social impact of the various players
- Part 4 Challenges and Perspectives of the West African Economy
 - The booming sectors identified
 - What economic model is best for Western Africa?

Assessment

Continuous assessment, test or expose, final evaluation (3 hours)

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