Module Name	Module Code		
Modeling Consumer Behavior	AEF-agr068e		
Module Coordinator			
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ECTS Credits	6
Evaluation	Graded
Duration	ein Semester
Frequency	Only takes place during summer semesters
Workload per ECTS Credit	30 hours
Total Workload	180 hours
Contact Time	60 hours
Independent Study	120 hours
Teaching Language	English

Recommended Requirements

Basic knowledge in microeconomic theory. Bachelor modules Fundamentals in Management and Price Theory (ök009) and Industrial Organization of the Food Industry (ök020) or equivalent.

Module Courses

Course Type	Course Name	Compul- sory/Optional	sws
Practical exercise	Modellierung von Konsumentenverhalten Übung	Compulsory	2
Lecture	Modellierung von Konsumentenverhalten	Compulsory	2

Examination(s)					
Examination Name	Type of Examination	Evaluation	Compulsory / Optional	Weighting	
Written Examination: Modeling Consumer Behavior	Written Examina- tion	Graded	Compulsory	50	
Seminar Paper with Assignment: Modeling Consumer Behavior	Seminar Course- work	Graded	Compulsory	50	

Further Information on the Examination(s)

1.+2. period in summer semester

1. period in winter semester examiner: Prof. Dr. Abdulai QIS:52402 with 52440+52450

Course Content

Theory of consumer demand, Modeling of utility and cost functions, econometric estimation of single equation models and demand systems, empirical applications of stated preferences methods (choice experiments, contingent valuation) including limited dependent variables, specific consideration of heterogeneous consumer preferences, product heterogeneity in demand as well as asymmetric information, introduction to the statistical software package Stata for applications in the field of demand analysis.

Learning Outcome

Students understand the methodology of applied microeconometric demand analysis. They are aware of potential concerns related to the empirical modeling of real world problems and are able find practical solutions. Thus, students acquire the skills to analyze consumer demand under both perfect and imperfect market conditions, and to predict the consequences of market interventions. They are taught how to use the econometric software Stata to estimate models of consumer demand.

Reading List

Deaton, A. and J. Muellbauer 1993. Economics and Consumer Behavior, Cambridge Louviere, J.J., Hensher, D.A. and J.D. Swait 2000. States Choice Methods, Cambridge Abdulai, A. and D. Aubert 2004. A cross-section analysis of household demand for food and nutrients in Tanzania, Agriculture Economics 31(1), 67-79.

Additional Information

Free admission, but enrollment for mandatory research tutorial is required. Enrollment in OLAT within the 2nd examination period of the preceding semester. Regular Participation in computer tutorial is a prerequisite for admission to the examination.

Use	Compulsory / Optional	Semester
Master, 1-Subject, Agricultural Sciences, Specialisation Agricultural Economics, (Version 2017)	Optional	-
Master, 1-Subject, Agricultural Sciences, Specialisation Agricultural Economics, (Version 2013)	Optional	-
Master, 1-Subject, Agricultural Sciences, Specialisation Agribusiness, (Version 2017)	Optional	-
Master, 1-Subject, Agricultural Sciences, Specialisation Agribusiness, (Version 2013)	Optional	-
Master, 1-Subject, Agricultural Sciences, Specialisation Crop Sciences, (Version 2017)	Optional	-
Master, 1-Subject, Agricultural Sciences, Specialisation Crop Sciences, (Version 2013)	Optional	-
Master, 1-Subject, Agricultural Sciences, Specialisation Animal Sciences, (Version 2017)	Optional	-
Master, 1-Subject, Agricultural Sciences, Specialisation Animal Sciences, (Version 2013)	Optional	-
Master, 1-Subject, Agricultural Sciences, Specialisation Environmental Sciences, (Version 2017)	Optional	-
Master, 1-Subject, Agricultural Sciences, Specialisation Environmental Sciences, (Version 2013)	Optional	-
Master, 1-Subject, Dairy Science, (Version 2017)	Optional	-
Master, 1-Subject, Nutritional and Food Science, (Version 2013)	Optional	-
Master, 1-Subject, Nutritional and Consumer Economics, (Version 2017)	Compulsory	-
Master, 1-Subject, Nutritional and Consumer Economics, (Version 2013)	Compulsory	-