

Online Course Catalogue



<u>Course Title</u>	<u>Study Field</u>	<u>University</u>
Sustainable and Circular Economy	Social Sciences, journalism and information	Abo Akademi University

CHARM priority field	Faculty or department	Number of credit points:
Sustainability and Climate Change;	Åbo Akademi Open University	5
Course code	Study Level:	Name of instructor(s):
SU00CI71-3002	BA/BSc	Annina Kainu

Short description of the course

1. The economic sustainability challenge. When is an economic system sustainable? 2. The circular economy and its basic principles. How is a circular economy sustainable? 3. Alternative ways to solve the economic sustainability challenge. 4. Not just economics - systems thinking as an approach. 5. Local solutions to sustainability challenges.

Full description of the course

<https://studiehandboken.abo.fi/sv/kurs/SU00CI71/22211?period=2022-2024>

Learning outcomes

At the end of the course, the learner will be able to: Understand what makes an economic system sustainable and discuss economic sustainability from different points of view. Describe and explain the basic principles and limitations of the circular economy, understand why circular economy is needed, analyze situations where circular economy is a suitable solution and describe practical examples and possibilities with circular economy.

Understand and describe the basic assumptions and theories behind alternative sustainability solutions in ecological economics and analyze the ecological economics' perspective on sustainability. Assess local sustainability-promoting economic initiatives.

Additional information

Course requirements **nan**

Time zone
CET +1 (Finland)

Language of instruction
English

Mode of delivery:
fully online (all students participating online), no specific time (=asynchronous)

Start date of course:
2024-12-03 00:00:00

Planned educational activities and teaching methods
nan

End date of course:
5/31/2024

Learning Management System/
Moodle

Contact hours per week for the student: **Variable**

Assessment methods **written assignment and online presentation**

Specific regular weekly teaching day/time
nan

certification **Transcript of records**

Course literature (compulsory or recommended):
Course literature will be available on the Moodle platform.

Number of places available for CHARM students
40

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