

Student evaluation of courses and master programs

The Department has conducted a survey among the students to obtain their view on the bachelor and the master programs. Student participation was high; in total 272 students responded.

Results and comments about single courses and the overall study programme will be considered when the program structure and each course are reviewed. For evaluation and possible follow-up, teachers have received results and comments concerning their course and teaching.

The survey shows that master students generally find the study to be interesting, but also quite difficult. The overall learning outcome is good and students are in general satisfied with the quality of lectures and student community, see Table, where answers are on a scale from 1 (very small/easy/bad/not interesting) to 5 (very large/difficult/good/interesting). However, some students report that the program contains too much mathematics and requests a stronger connection to “real life” economics. In addition, a few students want more programming and further seminar teaching containing more time for discussion, questions and group work.

Master students reported that they spent on average 43 hours in total on their study in the week before the questionnaire (early November).

Overall	Responses	Size curriculum	Difficulty of study	Learning outcome	Quality lectures		
BA	412	3,6	3,5	3,7	3,6		
Heisemner	234	3,7	3,9	3,7	3,7		
MA	320	3,9	3,9	3,7	3,8		
		Interesting study	Difficulty of study	Learning outcome	Studiemiljø/student community		Hours per week
1. semester	61	4,0	3,5	4,0	3,9		26,5
3. semester	66	4,0	4,0	3,9	3,5		29
5. semester	25	3,9	3,7	3,8	3,56		35
MA	120	4,0	4,2	3,8	3,5		43