

Local public finance

Level : *Undergraduate (3rd year)*

Course of Study : *Economics*

Semester : 6

Hourly Volume : 18 hours of class (lecture)

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Course Objectives:

The objective of this course is for the students: to understand the institutional environment of public funds and the principles that govern them, to pragmatically understand how they work, to make sense of the daily realities of public policy.

In using the necessary and indispensable knowledge of public political administrative and political organization, the course will focus on:

- The State's public finances, more specifically the sources of revenue that make them up
- Local public finances, based on communal status

Organization of classes:

- The general principals of public funds
- The State: what revenues for what expenses?
- A focus on the reality of deduction/levy policy
- Local communities: the local level as an example

Skills Acquired:

- Theoretical knowledge relative to state and local public finance
- Understanding the factors in a complex political environment
- The ability to draw up a simplified local public budget

Grading System:

In-class written exam

Prerequisites:

Knowledge of political and public organization in France (cf. "Administrative Institutions and Public Law" course from semester 1)

Good sense and a hint of effort

Bibliography / References:

Bouvier, M. (2022). Les finances locales. France: LGDJ, un savoir faire de Lextenso.