## **Educational Economics**

**Structure:** Introductory meeting on Friday (16/2/2018) at 8.30 to 10.00am in P043, L7, 3-5. Details of the course will be discussed and a short lecture will be given during the introductory meeting. The seminar will be held in English. The seminar presentations will be during the semester (always Friday 8.30-10.00am, P043, L7, 3-5).

**Description:** The seminar will cover a variety of topics in educational economics, for instance:

- The effects of school starting age
- Private and social returns to education
- Genetics and educational attainment

The target audience are Bachelor students. The goal of this seminar is to give an overview of interesting research questions in educational economics. The students should be enabled to understand basic concepts in educational economics and microeconometric methods, and to utilize recent results for their own applied work.

**Grading:** Seminar paper (approx. 10 pages without figures and tables) and presentation (approx. 20 minutes) and participation in the discussions during the seminar (6 ECTS points). Grading: seminar paper (50%), presentation (50%).

**Prerequisites:** Statistik I & II, & Grundlagen der Ökonometrie (or equivalent introductory courses)

Course website: http://www.farbmacher.de/mannheim/ee/lecture.html