

TIK – Centre for Technology, Innovation and Culture

PhD course: Innovation, Welfare and Policy

University of Oslo & online

ECTS: 8

Dates: 22 – 30 April 2024

Application deadline: 1 March 2024



TIK9025:

Innovation, Welfare and Policy

In the field of innovation studies, it is typically assumed that innovation positively impacts the economy, increasing social welfare and leading to a wealthier society. This PhD course delves into both the positive aspects and the potential unintended negative consequences of innovation. The course draws insights from theories of well-being and social justice, and it discusses how the effects of innovation on well-being and social welfare can be studied in the light of these theories. Policymakers must navigate complex trade-offs between efficiency and equity effects of innovation when making decisions about supporting or regulating innovations, and this calls for the development of new conceptual frameworks and empirical studies in the economics of innovation.

Hybrid mode

Participants can choose whether to attend the course physically at the University of Oslo or online.

Lecturers

Fulvio Castellacci (University of Oslo), Martin Binder (University of Munich), Milena Nikolova (University of Groningen), Tommaso Ciarli (University of Maastricht), Paolo Piacquadio (University of St. Gallen)

Course Structure

- *Innovation and well-being*: 22 - 23 April
- *Innovation, inequality, and social welfare*: 29 - 30 April

Participants who like to take the exam and get the credits for their PhD program must attend both parts of the course and submit a term paper (see below). On the other hand, participants who do not wish to take the exam are welcome to attend only the part of the course of their interest.

Teaching schedule

See teaching schedule 2024 [here](#).

Examination

Submit a 6,000 to 8,000-word term paper by 31 August 2024.

Participants

The course is for PhD students. Other participants (who are not PhD students) may be allowed attend the course.

Admission and Application

Submit form, PhD project outline, and confirmation letter by 1 March 2024 via [the course website \(uio.no\)](#). Please indicate in your application whether you will attend physically or online, and whether you will attend the whole course or just part of it.

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