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Agriculture and rural development studies 480 (ARD 480)

Qualification Undergraduate

Faculty [Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences](#)

Module content

Overview of the concepts and theories of rural development; the role of agriculture in rural development. Rural livelihood systems: household farming systems; decisions and the operation of farming systems; non-farm enterprises and SMMEs in the rural economy; household food security. Rural institutions: definitions and role of institutions; land tenure; rural financial markets; local institutional development; human capital, knowledge systems. Methodologies for rural development: the farming systems approach; participatory techniques; assessment of land use patterns (zoning techniques); typology techniques; technology transfer and decision-making support; communication for rural development; planning rural development at local level.

Module credits 40.00

Programmes [BScAgric Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness Management](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 3 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Academic organisation Agric Econ, Ext + Rural Dev

Period of presentation Year

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