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Topics and bibliography for the didactic competitions 2020-2021 academic year

Professor – position 1

Disciplines: Economic Epistemology and Contemporary Economic Doctrines

1) Economic Epistemology

- The scientific character of economic knowledge: the field of knowledge and the methods of economics.
- The place of economics among sciences. Particularities of economics as a science
- Historical and epistemological premises of economic thinking
- Normative and positive in economics. Value judgments and evidence judgments.
- The impact of Empiricism/Inductivism in economics
- The influence of Positivism in economics
- Impacts of modern epistemological developments on economics: Falsificationism
- Impacts of modern epistemological developments on economics: Paradigms and scientific revolutions. Research programs
- Influences of modern epistemological trends of economic science: Epistemological Anarchism

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2) Contemporary economic doctrines

- The Communist doctrine. Overview of the economic and social context of the emergence of communism and the precursors. Evolutions and forms of communism. Main representatives
- The Institutionalist doctrine. Overview of the economic and social context of the emergence of Institutionalism. Research program. Main representatives. Forms of Institutionalism
- The Keynesian doctrine. Overview of political, economic and social framework of the emergence of the Keynesian doctrine. The attitude of J.M. Keynes toward classical economics principles. Macroeconomic variables, currency-saving motives, the savings-investment-interest connection. Business cycle, anticipations, interventionist measures to alleviate economic crises
- The Monetary doctrines. Traditional Monetarism. The evolution of the Monetarist doctrine. The theory of rational expectations
- The doctrine of supply side economy
- Pragmatic doctrines: The theory of ownership rights; The new theory of firm; The theory of imperfect competition; The theory of markets with asymmetric information
- The doctrines of business cycles
- Integrative and globalizing doctrines

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