Behavioral and Experimental

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Course contents Part 1 (Maria Vittoria Levati; 10 hours)

• Introduction to the theory and practice of experimental economics:
  o What sort of knowledge social scientists can collect in the laboratory and what experiments can tell us about economic theories
  o Specific methods and techniques for conducting economic experiments

Part 2 (Luca Zarri; 10 hours)

• Behavioral Biases in Individual Decision-Making: Bounded Rationality and Bounded Willpower. The Power (and Limits) of Nudges
• Strategic Interaction and Social Preferences: Theory and Experimental Evidence
• Cooperation in Public Goods Game Experiments: Enforcement Mechanisms

Readings


Further papers will be indicated at the beginning of each part of the course.

Evaluation
A written essay and presentation of an experimental design