

Assessment of Bachelor Thesis – Opponent



Study programme: **International Economic Relations**

Field of study: **International Trade**

Academic year: **2018/2019**

Bachelor Thesis Topic: **The importance of the economic relationship between Canada and the U.S.**

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	Criterion	Mark (1–4)
1.	Overall objective achievement	2
2.	Logical structure	1
3.	Using of literature, citations	1
4.	Adequacy of methods used	2
5.	Depth of analysis	2
6.	Self-reliance of author	1
7.	Formal requirements: text, graphs, tables	1
8.	Language and stylistics	1

Comments and Questions:

The presented bachelor thesis discusses the topic of the importance of the economic relationship between Canada and the U.S. Its extent is above average and also the structure seems to be very logical. Author starts with bilateral relations, continues with economic situation and concludes with perspectives. The aim of the paper / research question is very clear, but somehow offers a quick answer.

I appreciate the first chapter very much, which was written in a detailed way and offers a very good start to the topic. The other two chapters and also precisely put together, but in certain aspects I would expect more details (time series). Above of that, I get the impression that the research question wasn't discussed properly.

Therefore I recommend final grade **very good**. Questions for the defence:

1. Has the commodity structure of trade changed during the existence of NAFTA?
2. Could the author elaborate more on the mutual investment in terms of what industries receive the most investment and whether this has impact on mutual trade?

Conclusion: The Bachelor Thesis is recommended for the defence.

Suggested Grade: **2**

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