

SYLLABUS

1. GENERAL

College	College of Applied Economics and Social Sciences		
Department	Regional and Economic Development		
Level of Studies	Undergraduate		
Couse Code	POA 4844	ΕΞΑΜΗΝΟ ΣΠΟΥΔΩΝ	8 TH
Course Title	Εισαγωγή στην Επιχειρησιακή Έρευνα		
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INDEPENDENT TEACHING ACTIVITIES where credit is awarded for discrete parts of the course e.g. lectures, laboratory exercises, etc. If credit is awarded for the whole course, indicate the weekly teaching hours and the total number of credits		WEEKLY CONTACT HOURS	ECTS
Sessions		5	5
COURSE TYPE Background, General Knowledge, Scientific Area, Skills Development	Generic Knowledge and Scientific Domain		
Prerequisites	-		
Language of instruction and examinations	Greek		
Course Offered to Erasmus Students	NO		
Course Webpage	https://oeclass.aua.gr/eclass/		

2. COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES

Learning Outcomes

The learning outcomes of the course describe the specific knowledge, skills and competences of an appropriate level that students will acquire after successful completion of the course.

- Knowledge
 - Define and report the basic concepts of Operational Research
 - Perceive terminology and variables used in Operational Research
 - Understand the meaning and importance of research in operational environments related to the management and coordination of enterprises and organizations
- Abilities
 - Analyse problems of economic nature and structure models to describe them
 - Decompose, interpret, and re-structure problems related to operational research and economics, evaluate and select the most beneficial solutions
 - Search for new solutions under different condition frameworks, such as sensitivity analysis
 - Model problems with the use of programs and the necessary technologies and cultivate collective ways of thinking
- Skills
 - Practice work in a multidisciplinary environment and advance effective, applicable, and sustainable solutions for the development of a healthy and human-centric entrepreneurship

Generic Skills

Taking into account the general competences that the graduate should have acquired (as listed in the Diploma Supplement and listed below), which one(s) does the course aim at?

Search, analysis and synthesis of data and information, including the use of the necessary technologies

Adaptation to new situations

Decision-making

Autonomous work

Group work

Working in an international environment

Working in an interdisciplinary environment

Generating new research ideas

Project planning and management

Respect for diversity and multiculturalism

Respect for the natural environment

Demonstrating social, professional and ethical responsibility and gender sensitivity

Exercise of criticism and self-criticism

Promotion of free, creative and deductive thinking

Adjustments to new situations

Work in multidisciplinary environments

Planning and management of projects

Production of free, creative and inductive thinking

3. COURSE CONTENT

Introduction to Operational Research. Basic concepts of linear programming, problem modeling, general prototype, interpretation, mathematical formulation, problem-solving, and graphical representation for linear programming problem-solving. SIMPLEX method, typical form, algorithm. M method, and two phases method. Binary method, attributes of binary problems, Binary SIMPLEX method, Sensitivity Analysis, The transportation problem. Problems of integer and mixed programming. Dynamic Programming. Applications in Economic and Regional Science.

4. TEACHING AND LEARNING METHODS – ASSESSMENT

METHOD OF DELIVERY Face-to-face, Distance learning, etc.	Lectures and meetings with students	
USE OF TECHNOLOGY, INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION Use of ICT in teaching, laboratory training, communication with students	Use of interactive tables in teaching. The communication with the students will take place in the face-to-face level, also with emails and the use of direct electronic communication (e.g., skype)	
ORGANISATION OF TEACHING The way and methods of teaching are described in detail. Lectures, Seminars, Laboratory Exercise, Field Exercise, Study & Analysis of Literature, Tutorials, Practical (Placement), Clinical Exercise, Artistic Workshop, Interactive teaching, Educational visits, Study visits, Project work, Writing of work / assignments, Artistic creation, etc. The student's study hours for each learning activity as well as the hours of unguided study are indicated so that the total workload at semester level corresponds to the ECTS standards.	Activity	Semester Work Load
	Course delivery	65 hours
	Study of taught material	27 hours
	Exercises and practice in the field of natural resource economics	33 hours
	Course Total	125
STUDENT ASSESSMENT Description of the evaluation process Language of Assessment, Assessment Methods, Formative or Inferential, Multiple Choice Test, Short Answer Questions, Test Development Questions, Problem Solving, Written Work, Report, Oral Examination, Oral Examination, Public Presentation, Laboratory Work, Clinical Examination of a Patient, Artistic Interpretation, Other Explicitly identified assessment criteria are stated and if and where they are accessible to students.	Written Final Exams and tentative midterm examinations during the course	

5. RECOMMENDED BIBLIOGRAPHY

Main Textbooks

GREEK BIBLIOGRAPHY (Titles in the Greek Language)

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