

COURSE OUTLINE

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

FACULTY/SCHOOL	SCHOOL OF PLANT SCIENCES		
DEPARTMENT	CROP SCIENCE		
LEVEL OF STUDY	Undergraduate		
COURSE UNIT CODE	3655	Semester:	2 nd
COURSE TITLE	AGRICULTURE		
INDEPENDENT TEACHING ACTIVITIES <i>in case credits are awarded for separate components/parts of the course, e.g. in lectures, laboratory exercises, etc. If credits are awarded for the entire course, give the weekly teaching hours and the total credits</i>	WEEKLY TEACHING HOURS	ECTS	
Lectures	2	4	
Laboratory Exercises	2		
<i>Add rows if necessary. The organization of teaching and the teaching methods used are described in detail under sections 4</i>			
COURSE TYPE <i>Background knowledge, Scientific expertise, General Knowledge, Skills Development</i>	Background & Skill Development		
PREREQUISITE COURSES:			
LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION:	Greek		
LANGUAGE OF EXAMINATION/ASSESSMENT:			
THE COURSE IS OFFERED TO ERASMUS STUDENTS	No		
COURSE WEBSITE (URL)			

LEARNING OUTCOMES

<p>Learning Outcomes</p> <p>The course learning outcomes, specific knowledge, skills, and competences of an appropriate (certain) level, which students will acquire upon successful completion of the course, are described in detail. It is necessary to consult:</p> <p>APPENDIX A</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Description of the level of learning outcomes for each level of study, in accordance with the European Higher Education Qualifications' Framework. • Descriptive indicators for Levels 6, 7 & 8 of the European Qualifications Framework for Lifelong Learning and <p>APPENDIX B</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guidelines for writing Learning Outcomes

The subject of the “Agriculture” course is to acquaint students on a theoretical and practical level with the current situation and prospects of annual and perennial field crops. Upon successfully completing the course, the student will be in position to understand both theoretical as well as the practical aspects of agriculture and cultivation of field crops. Emphasis is given on the principles of integrated production management and the implementation of good agricultural practices.

General Competences

Taking into consideration the general competences that students/graduates must acquire (as those are described in the Diploma Supplement and are mentioned below), at which of the following does the course attendance aim?

Search for, analysis and synthesis of data and information using appropriate technologies,

Adapting to new situations

Decision-making

Individual/Independent work

Group/Teamwork

Working in an international environment

Working in an interdisciplinary environment

Introduction of innovative research

Project planning and management

Respect for diversity and multiculturalism

Environmental awareness

Social, professional and ethical responsibility and sensitivity to gender issues

Critical thinking

Development of free, creative and inductive thinking

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(Other..... citizenship, spiritual freedom, social awareness, altruism etc.)

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COURSE CONTENT

THEORY

- Crop communities, aerial environment, and soil properties. Concepts, effects, and interventions Agro-ecological approaches on cultivation zones of field crops and varieties.
- Field crops. Cereals (wheat, barley, oat, rye, triticale). Corn, rice.
- Legumes, oil crops, sugar crops, and processed tomato. Aromatic and medicinal plants.

LABORATORY

- Morphological characteristics and growth stages of the main field crops
- Issues related to cultivation techniques

4. TEACHING METHODS--ASSESSMENT

<p style="text-align: center;">MODES OF DELIVERY</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Face-to-face, in-class lecturing, distance teaching and distance learning etc.</i></p>	<p>In-class lecturing</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">USE OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Use of ICT in teaching, Laboratory Education, Communication with students</i></p>	<p>Use of slide presentation and blackboard. Communication with students. Learning process support by access to e-class asynchronous distance learning platform.</p>

COURSE DESIGN

Description of teaching techniques, practices, and methods: Lectures, seminars, laboratory practice, fieldwork, study and analysis of bibliography, tutorials, Internship, Art Workshop, Interactive teaching, educational visits, projects, Essay writing, Artistic creativity, etc.

The study hours for each learning activity as well as the hours of self-directed study are given following the principles of the ECTS.

Activity/ Method	Semester workload
Lectures	39
Laboratory practice	26
Personal study	35
Total of Course (25 hours of workload per ECTS)	100

STUDENT PERFORMANCE EVALUATION/ASSESSMENT METHODS

Detailed description of the evaluation procedures:

Language of evaluation, assessment methods, formative or summative (conclusive), multiple choice tests, short-answer questions, open-ended questions, problem solving, written work, essay/report, oral exam, presentation, laboratory work, other... etc.

Specifically defined evaluation criteria are stated, as well as if and where they are accessible by the students.

I. Final written exam in the theory of the course including a combination of 10 short-answer questions, open-ended questions, and multiple-choice questions.

II. The written examination in the laboratory part of the course includes 5 short answers, open-ended, problem solving and documentation questions (the ability to apply the principles and mechanisms and the way of approaching and documenting the answer is evaluated).

5. SUGGESTED BIBLIOGRAPHY:

R. S. Loomis & D. J. Connor 1992. *Crop Ecology. Productivity and management in agricultural systems.* Cambridge University Press.

M. J. Gooding 2017. *Cereal grains* Elsevier