

# Courses' Descriptions

### **DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM**

IONIAN UNIVERSITY



### COURSE DESCRIPTION

#### 1. GENERAL

SCHOOL	ECONOMIC SCIENCES		
DEPARTMENT	TOURISM		
LEVEL	Undergraduate		
COURSE CODE	ECO130	SEMESTER	7 <sup>th</sup>
COURSE TITLE	Sharing Economy		
INDEPENDENT TEACHING ACTIVITIES		WEEKLY TEACHING HOURS	ECTS
Lectures		4	5
COURSE CATEGORY	Specific Background		
COURSE TYPE	Elective		
PREREQUISITES	-		
LANGUAGE OF TEACHING AND EXAMINATIONS	Greek		
THE COURSE IS OFFERED TO ERASMUS STUDENTS			
URL	https://tourism.ionio.gr/en/undergraduate-studies/courses/1231/		
ECLASS			

#### 2. TEACHING RESULTS

#### **Teaching Results**

Upon completion of the course, students will be able to understand the principles and concepts of sharing economy and will have acquired knowledge about different sharing economy business models, such as peer-to-peer, business-to-peer and hybrid models. They will have studied successful business ventures of the sharing economy in order to better understand the strategies and challenges that exist. Students will also be able to critically examine the economic and social impacts of the sharing economy and explore how collaborative consumption and resource efficiency can contribute to sustainable development. The course will expose students to the technological advancements driving the sharing economy, such as blockchain, IoT, and AI. They will explore how these technologies shape sharing platforms and drive innovation. In this way, they will be able to examine emerging trends and anticipate future developments in the sharing economy.

#### **General Skills**

- Seek, analyze and synthesize data
- Autonomous work
- Team work
- Work in international environment
- · Production of new research ideas
- Project design and management

#### 3. CONTENT

This course provides an introduction to the sharing economy and examines its impact on the tourism industry (businesses and consumers). The development of a common economy in many industries underscores the challenges and opportunities while providing a range of options for delivering innovative experiences from consumers. Focusing on new sharing economy ventures (see Kickstarter, Uber, Airbnb), participants will be taught concepts, models and financial principles that are useful for analyzing new market dynamics, creating a new venture, expanding existing ventures. activities and the development of sustainable strategies.

Week 1: Introduction to the Sharing Economy-Basic concepts

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- Week 2: Business Models of the Sharing Economy
- Week 3: Introduction to Airbnb and related platforms-Usage tools
- Week 4: Typology of guests and owners-Airbnb experiences
- Week 5: Delivery Management-Review Management
- Week 6: Sharing Economy and Sustainable Tourism Development
- Week 7: Social issues-local problems-international response
- Week 8: Ethical dilemmas and social responsibility
- Week 9: Economic benefits-impact in Greece
- Week 10: Legal and regulatory challenges
- Week 11: Entrepreneurship and innovation in the collaborative economy
- Week 12: Modern tools and technologies in the Sharing Economy (blockchain, metaverse, etc.)
- Week 13: Repetition through examples-Overview of lectures

#### 4. TEACHING AND LEARNING METHODS - EVALUATION

TEACHING METHOD	Lectures	
USE OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES	<ul> <li>Use of notes</li> <li>Learning process support through the e-class online platform</li> </ul>	
TEACHING STRUCTURE	Activity Semester Workload Lectures 52 Literature Study and 73 Analysis Course Total (ECTS: 5) 125	
EVALUATION OF STUDENTS	<ul><li>Short Answer Questions</li><li>Essay Development Questions</li><li>Optional individual essay</li><li>Public Presentation</li></ul>	

#### 5. BIBLIOGRAPHY

• Book [112697512]: AIRBNB, Protopapadakis N. Ioannis

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