

Courses' Descriptions

DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM

IONIAN UNIVERSITY



COURSE DESCRIPTION

1. GENERAL

| SCHOOL | ECONOMIC SCIENCES | | |
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| DEPARTMENT | TOURISM | | |
| LEVEL | Undergraduate | | |
| COURSE CODE | MNG210 | SEMESTER | 7 th |
| COURSE TITLE | Employment Relations and Policies in Tourism | | |
| 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/1336/ | | |
| ECLASS | | | |

2. TEACHING RESULTS

| Teaching Results | | |
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| General Skills | | |
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3. CONTENT

The specific course examines the basic principles of employment relations. These issues include employee relations in general; employment contract; payments; unions; collective bargaining; and strikes. In addition, the specific course discusses employees' obligations towards their employers as well as their rights. Last but not least, additional issues are raised that include organizational restructuring; employees' participation in decision making; employees' mobility and European employment policy.

- 1st Week: Introduction. Basic management principles. The complexities of the tourism and hospitality industry. Brief introduction to Human Resource Management and Organizational Behavior. Examples case studies.
- 2nd Week: Introduction to "Employment relations and employment contract". Basic principles and definition, the psychological contract.
- 3rd Week: The nature of employment. Employees' specialization in a flexible organization. Strategies for a sustainable competitive advantage. Job re-design and focus on commitment, flexibility and quality.
- 4th Week: Modern developments in employment relations. Case studies based on the tourism and hospitality sector.
- 5th Week: Multinational enterprises and employment relations. Benefits and disadvantages.
- 6th Week: The crucial role of government in employment relations and in resolving (and / or creating) differences.
- 7th Week: Unions and employees' participation. Resolving conflicts without unions.
- 8th Week: Managing employment relations with or without unions.
- 9th Week: Employee "voice" and participation in (tourism) organizations. Collective bargaining and negotiating power.
- 10th Week: Negotiations. Resolving conflicts. The role of "Organizational Culture".
- 11th Week: Employment relations processes; Grievance handling.
- 12th Week: Students' presentations.
- 13^η Εβδομάδα: Sum up.

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4. TEACHING AND LEARNING METHODS - EVALUATION

| TEACHING METHOD | Lectures | |
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| USE OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES | Slideshow (powerpoint) during courses Use of e-class (opencourses) All Lectures are uploaded at the end of each session Homeworks and case studies are uploaded in pdf format. Use of supportive material (e.g., case studies) in order to comprehend in depth the relevant knowledge | |
| TEACHING STRUCTURE | Activity Semester Workload Lectures 52 Literature Study and 73 Analysis Course Total (ECTS: 5) 125 | |
| EVALUATION OF STUDENTS | The course is evaluated through • 3-4 homeworks throughout the semester (40%) • 2-3 presentations (10%) • Final homework (50%) Student's participation during courses that include • case studies | |

5. BIBLIOGRAPHY

- Σύγχρονες Εργασιακές Σχέσεις, Θεόδωρος Κουτρούκης (κωδικός: 102071651)
- Εργασιακές Σχέσεις. Μία επιστημονική προσέγγιση, Mike Leat, Γιάννης Κουζής, Θεόδωρος Κουτρούκης (κωδικός: 11540)

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