

COURSE DESCRIPTION CARD

Faculty of Civil Engineering and Environmental Sciences										
Field of study								Degree level and programme type		
Specialization/ diploma path								Study profile	Academic profile	
Course name	Thematic cartography							Course code	IS-FCEE-00149-1S	
								Course type	Erasmus	
Forms and number of hours of tuition	L	C	LC	P	SW	FW	S	Semester	Summer	
				15				No. of ECTS credits	2	
Entry requirements	Basic knowledge of information technology; basis of Geographic Information Systems and geodesy is greatly appreciated									
Course objectives	This course provides an introduction to thematic cartography and mapmaking. The class will focus on teaching through practical examples. The main objectives for the course are mapping techniques, through which both qualitative and quantitative data can be analyzed and accurately represented on the map. This course will introduce students to the basic principles of cartography, as well as new IT methods for visualizing and analyzing spatial data. The methods of obtaining data for cartographic studies will also be discussed.									
Course content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to cartography - coordinate systems, scale, legend, symbols, diagrams, and other marginalia information. • The map design process and the elements of map composition – introduction to the software and mapping techniques. • Principles for color thematic maps - chorochromatic and choropleth maps. • The cartogram and cartodiagram. • Methods of interpolation of data points. • Methods for presenting of the relief and altitude data – Digital Terrain Model and Digital Surface Model and normalized Digital Surface Model. Hypsometry, contour, slope models and terrain profile. • Methods for gathering spatial data (including direct field mapping and remote sensing methods). 									
Teaching methods	This course includes 8 classes taking two teaching hours each, including an introductory lecture and lab components for each class meeting.									
Assessment method	ERASMUS students are expected to design, research, and complete a final project (a map containing thematic mapping applications) by the end of the semester.									
Symbol of learning outcome	Learning outcomes							Reference to the learning outcomes for the field of study		

L01	knows the concepts of the subject, classifies the methods of cartographic presentation	K_GP1_W04	
L02	can choose the appropriate method to present the research problem in cartographic form	K_GP1_U07 K_GP1_U08	
L03	can effectively select data sources to solve cartographic problems, provides principles for data collection	K_GP1_U07 K_GP1_U08	
L04	strengthens the skills of map perception and reading cartographic content	K_GP1_U07 K_GP1_U08	
L05			
L06			
Symbol of learning outcome	Methods of assessing the learning outcomes	Type of tuition during which the outcome is assessed	
L01	assessment of work on a practical project	P	
L02	assessment of work on a practical project	P	
L03	assessment of work on a practical project	P	
L04	assessment of work on a practical project	P	
L05			
L06			
Student workload (in hours)		No. of hours	
Calculation	Participation in computer classes	15	
	Preparation for the workshop	10	
	Participation in consultations related to a project	6	
	Implementation of project tasks (including preparation of a final project)	20	
	TOTAL:	51	
Quantitative indicators		HOURS	No. of ECTS credits
Student workload – activities that require direct teacher participation		21	1
Student workload – practical activities		42	2
Basic references	1. Cartography: visualization of spatial data. Menno-Jan Kraak, Ferjan Ormeling, 1996. 2. Geographical information systems: principles, techniques, management, and applications. Paul A Longley (ed.), 2005.		
Supplementary references	1. Spatial analysis: modeling in a GIS environment. Paul A Longley; Michael Batty (ed.), 1996. 2. QGIS User Guide. https://www.qgis.org , 2019.		
Organisational unit conducting the course	Department of Agri-Food Engineering and Environmental Management	Date of issuing the programme	
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L – lecture, C – classes, LC – laboratory classes, P – project, SW – specialization workshop, FW - field work,
S – seminar