

Rural economics (II-nd Year of study, III-rd Semester)

Credit value (ECTS) 5

Course category

Domain (Imposed)

Course holder:

Prof. Gavril ȘTEFAN

Discipline objectives (course and practical works)

General objective: Acquiring and understanding the theoretical basis specific to the rural economics, skills in quantifying and interpreting statistical indicators in order to identify the final causes of economic performance / non-performance.

Specific objectives:

1. Assessing the performance, competitiveness, risk and limits of economic growth at the territorial level, by using theories on micro and macroeconomics.
2. Knowing the concepts, methods and tools used in rural economics.

Contents (syllabus)

Course (chapters/subchapters)
1. Rural economics – a key component of the economic sciences system, object, economic information, research method
2. The economic system: definitions, structure, actors of the economy
3. Economic persons and fundamental income in the economy: economic persons, rent, salary, interest, profit
4. Economic circuit: economic activity, real flows, cash flows
5. Households - needs, resources, consumption: definitions, classification of households, consumption theory, finality of consumption
6. Enterprises - definitions, classification, production theory
7. State and administrations - definitions, macroeconomic outcomes, economic well-being, the relations of consumption, saving, economic growth, economic development and economic progress.
8. Banks, the banking system and the money market
9. Insurance companies - functions, operations, structure
10. Non-governmental organizations: trade unions, employers' organizations, non-profit organizations
11. External environment - economic balance and imbalance, economic cycle, inflation and unemployment

Practicum
1. Economic information - sources, content, methods of analysis, interpretation
2. Fundamental income from the economy - rent, salary, interest, profit
3. Analysis of the structure of the economic circuit - indicators, examples, interpretation
4. Consumption theory - indicators, examples, interpretation
5. Production theory - indicators, examples, interpretation

6. Microeconomic results - indicators, examples, interpretation
7. Macroeconomic results - indicators, examples, interpretation
8. Economic well-being - indicators, examples, interpretation
9. Relations of consumption, saving, economic growth, economic development and economic progress - indicators, examples, interpretation
10. Economic balance and imbalance - indicators, examples, interpretation

References

1. Constantin G. și colab., 2018 – Viața rurală românească în secolul XX. Editura „Academiei Române” București.
2. Dona I., 2017 - Economie rurală. Editura Economică București.
3. Ștefan G., 2006 – Economie agrară. Editura „Junimea” Iași.
4. Ștefan G., 2018 – Economie rurală – Note de curs, USAMV Iași.

Evaluation

Evaluation form	Evaluation Methods	Percentage of the final grade
Exam	Oral examination	70%
Attendance and appreciation of the activity during the practical works	Oral examination during the semester, final laboratory colloquium	30%

Contact

Prof. Gavril ȘTEFAN

Faculty of Agriculture - USAMV Iași

No. 3, Mihail Sadoveanu Alley, Iași, 700490, Romania

Phone: 0040 232 407515, fax: 0040 232 260 650

E-mail: stefang@uaiasi.ro

Rural economics (II-nd Year of study, IV-th Semester)

Credit value (ECTS) 5

Course category

Domain (Imposed)

Course holder:

Prof. Gavril ȘTEFAN

Discipline objectives (course and practical works)

General objective: Acquiring and understanding the theoretical basis specific to the rural economics, skills in quantifying and interpreting statistical indicators in order to identify the final causes of economic performance / non-performance.

Specific objective: Assessing the performance, competitiveness, risk and limits of economic growth at the territorial level, by using theories and models of economic development.

Contents (syllabus)

Course (chapters/subchapters)
1. Rural areas - definitions, features, functions, classification
2. Rural resources - natural resources, labor resources, capital resources
3. Production factors - classical factors, new factors
4. The economy of rural development - economic well-being, economic growth, economic development, sustainable development
5. Paradigms of rural development
6. Theories of economic development (theory of modernization, theory of dependence, theory of opportunities, propagation and training of economic flows, theory of great shock, theory of minimum effort, theory of human capital)
7. Methods for assessing the development of rural areas (quantitative and qualitative methods, rural regions, NUTS system, development regions in the European Union)
8. Strategies, policies, programs, projects and trends for rural development in Romania and worldwide

Practicum
1. Analysis of the rural space - indicators, examples, interpretation
2. Analysis of natural resources - indicators, examples, interpretation
3. Analysis of labor resources - indicators, examples, interpretation
4. Analysis of capital resources - indicators, examples, interpretation
5. Economic efficiency of the production factors use - indicators, examples, interpretation
6. Analysis of quantitative and qualitative indicators of rural development - indicators, examples
7. Analysis of rural development projects - indicators, examples, interpretation

References

1. Constantin G. și colab., 2018 – Viața rurală românească în secolul XX. Editura „Academiei Române” București.
2. Bodescu D. și Ștefan G., 2018 - Economie rurală. Sinteze și aplicații. Editura USAMV Iași.

3. Dona I., 2017 - Economie rurală. Editura Economică București.
4. Ștefan G., 2006 – Economie agrară. Editura „Junimea” Iași.
5. Ștefan G., 2018 – Economie rurală – Note de curs, USAMV Iași.

Evaluation

Evaluation form	Evaluation Methods	Percentage of the final grade
Exam	Oral examination	70%
Attendance and appreciation of the activity during the practical works	Oral examination during the semester, final laboratory colloquium	30%

Contact

Prof. Gavril ȘTEFAN

Faculty of Agriculture - USAMV Iași

No. 3, Mihail Sadoveanu Alley, Iași, 700490, Romania

Phone: 0040 232 407515, fax: 0040 232 260 650

E-mail: stefang@uaiasi.ro