

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

Credit value (ECTS) 5

Course category

Domain (Imposed)

Course holder:

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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%

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