

Information sheet for the course Economic Geography

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| University: <i>Alexander Dubček University of Trenčín</i> | |
| Faculty: <i>Faculty of Social and Economic Relations</i> | |
| Course unit code: <i>VSP13</i> | Course unit title: <i>Economic Geography</i> |
| Type of course unit: <i>compulsory</i> | |
| Planned types, learning activities and teaching methods: Form of study: <i>Lecture / Seminar</i> Recommended scale of study (in hours): Weekly: <i>2 / 1</i> For the study period: <i>28 / 14</i> Study method: <i>in-class</i> | |
| Number of credits: <i>4</i> | |
| Recommended semester: <i>2. semester in the 1st year (full-time)</i> <i>4. semester in the 2nd year (part-time)</i> | |
| Degree of study: <i>I. (bachelor)</i> | |
| Course prerequisites: <i>none</i> | |
| Assesment methods: <i>During the semester there will be three written tests for 20 points: Assessment A – at least 55 points, Assessment B - at least 50 points, Assessment C - at least 45 points, Assessment D - at least 40 points, Assessment E - at least 35 points. Credit will not be added to a student who will receive less than 10 points from any written test. At the end of the semester during the examination period: Exam. Final evaluation: progress diameter</i> | |
| Learning outcomes of the course unit: <i>Student by completing the course will obtain an overview and will be familiar with the selected spatial aspects of global economy. Student will understand the analytic issue of geographic sector factors enriched by the synergistic relations based on regional geography, history and geopolitics, course offers a view on the socio - economic relations and patterns of functioning the industry, agriculture and services, respectively their scientific impact on the world economy. Student will understand the issue of distribution and interactions of economic activities of countries and regions in the world. The course allows to understand the formation assumptions, current status and trends of urbanization, agriculture, industry, transport, services, tourism, ecology, regionalism and other economic activities of population in relation to current turbulent globalization processes ongoing in global economy. After successful completion of a study, student will be able to do analysis on a comprehensive view of the global economy from a sectoral perspective. The course offers a fundamental geographic thinking in the territorial context.</i> | |
| Course contents: <i>1. Introduction to economic geography, globalization: the position of geography and economic geography in the system of science - theoretical exposition, international economics - the origin, development, stages, globalization trends and effects of globalization in the world economy, current global issues.</i> <i>2. Geography of population: structure, mobility, growth and locations of population.</i> <i>3. Geography of settlements: settlement systems, urbanization processes, theory of central places, geography of cities.</i> <i>4. Geography of industry: sectorial structure, localization factors, spatial structure and organization of industrial areas, industry as a impulse of economic development, mining - mineral resources.</i> <i>5. Geography of industry: classification of individual industries: metallurgical, engineering (automobile), chemical, textile/apparel, consumer goods industry.</i> | |

6. *Geography of agriculture: localization factors, crop, livestock and fishery.*
7. *Geography of traffic: basic concepts, new trends in transport, analysis of individual transport sectors.*
8. *Geography of tourism: a brief history, theoretical concepts, classification, localization factors.*
9. *Geography of tourism: selective and implementation factors, analysis of forms, spatial analysis and organization of tourism, international tourism.*
10. *Geography of services: definition, classification, economic importance of services, principles of arrangement services in the area.*
11. *Regionalization, regions and their forming: concept, classification, internal structure of regions, regional hierarchy and taxonomy.*
12. *Geography of environment: global environmental problems, environmental major areas of the world.*
13. *International trade: the structure of international trade (territorial, commodity), global trade, foreign trade.*

Recommended of required reading:

- Kordoš, M.: Ekonomická a sociálna geografia svetového hospodárstva. TnUAD, FSEV, Trenčín 2013*
- Kordoš, M.: Vybrané kapitoly z hospodárskej geografie Slovenskej republiky. TnUAD, FSEV, Trenčín 2008*
- Hrala, V. Geografie světového hospodárství. (Vybrané kapitoly). VŠE, Praha 2010*
- Maryáš J. – Vystoupil J.: Ekonomická geografie. Ekonomicko-správní fakulta, Masarykova univerzita, Brno 2008*
- Toušek, V. – Kunc, J.- Vystoupil, J. a kol.: Ekonomická a sociální geografie. Vyd. Aleš Čeněk, Plzeň 2008*
- Dicken, P.: Global shift. Sage Publications Ltd., London 2007*
- Mišúnová, Z. – Vlčková, V.: Vybrané kapitoly z hospodárskej geografie. Ekonóm, Bratislava 2004*
- Lopušný, J. – Murgaš, M.: Hospodárska geografia štátov Európskej únie. UMB, Banská Bystrica 2004*
- Gajdoš, A. – Gurňák, D.: Hospodárska geografia pre 1.ročník obchodných akadémií, 1.časť.: Orbis pictus Istropolitana, Bratislava 2005*
- Časopis FSEV – Sociálno-ekonomická revue.*
- Odborná časopisecká literatúra: Odporúčané články a štúdie.*

Language: Slovak

Remarks:

Course is offered in the summer semester of the first year of full-time studies and in the summer semester of the second year of external studies. Subject is compulsory. The number of students in a seminar group ranges from 20 to 25 students.

Evaluation history: 0

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