COURSE DISCRIPTION

1. GENERAL

SCHOOL	ENVIRONMENT, GEOGRAPHY AND APPLIED				
	ECONOMICS				
DEPARTMENT	GEOGRAPHY				
LEVEL OF COURSE	Undergraduate				
COURSE CODE	ГФ1201	D1201SEMESTER5 th			
COURSE TITLE	GEOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION SYSTEMS I				
STRUCTURE OF TEACHING ACTIVITIES		TEACHING HOURS PER WEEK		NUMBER OF CREDITS ALLOCATED (ECTS)	
Lectures and Laboratory Classes		3		5	
TYPE OF COURSE	Compulsory				
PREREQUISITES	-				
LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION	GREEK				
COURSE OFFERED TO ERASMUS STUDENTS	YES (in English if required)				
(URL)	https://eclass.hua.gr/courses/GEO105/				

2. EXPECTED LEARNING OUTCOMES

Learning outcomes

Describe the objectives of the course as well as the expected learning outcomes

The main aim of the course if the introduction (in both theoretical and practical terms) to the Geographical Information Systems. Upon successful completion of the course the students should be able to: Understand the basics about GIS, and to design and implement simple GIS projects by using open source and commercial GIS packages.

3. COURSE CONTENTS

GIS Introduction - Parts of a GIS: hardware, software, data - Spatial and thematic data - Data models and structures - GIS design - Geographical data organization and storage - GIS and Cartography - Data sources, input and maintenance - Digitising - Introduction to GIS applications - Introductory GIS laboratories - Practice in commercial GIS software.

TYPE OF LECTURES	In class lectures			
	Laboratory Lectures and Practice, projects			
ICT USE	ICT use, Internet use and e-class			

4. TEACHING AND ASSESSMENT METHODS

TEACHING STRUCTURE	Activity	Hours per semester			
	Lectures	26			
	Laboratory	13			
	Weekly assignments	33			
	Projects	30			
	Studying – personal work	25			
	TOTAL	127			
ASSESSMENT METHODS	Assessment Language: Greek Assessment Methods The final rate of the course is computed by three parts as follows:				
	Mid-term exams (30%) Weekly assignments and projects (30%) Final written exams (40%)				

5. RECOMMENDED READING

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