COURSE DISCRIPTION

1. GENERAL

SCHOOL	ENVIRONMENT, GEOGRAPHY AND APPLIED ECONOMICS				
DEPARTMENT	GEOGRAPHY				
LEVEL OF COURSE	Undergraduate				
COURSE CODE	SEMESTER E				
COURSE TITLE	REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT				
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)					

2. EXPECTED LEARNING OUTCOMES

Learning outcomes

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

This course aims to introduce students to the core concepts, theories, and policies related to regional development and regional inequalities. It explores how these issues intersect with socio-economic and geographical dynamics at national, European, and global levels. Emphasis is placed on linking theory with policy practice and on assessing the effectiveness of interventions in various regional contexts.

Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able to:

- Understand key theories and models of regional development and inequalities, and their relevance for policy design and implementation
- Identify and analyze the main factors influencing regional inequalities over time and across spatial scales
- Use statistical indicators and datasets to interpret patterns of regional disparities in Greece and the European Union
- Comprehend the functioning of regional policy instruments at both theoretical and empirical levels
- Evaluate the effectiveness of regional policies under conditions of socio-economic transformation, considering local and national specificities
- Appreciate the role of local, regional, and national authorities in shaping development and cohesion policies

- Develop critical thinking regarding contemporary strategies and dilemmas in regional policy, and propose improvements or interventions to reduce inequalities

3. COURSE CONTENTS

The course contains the following topics:

- The notion of regional development
- Theories of regional development
- Regional inequalities in Greece and the European Union
- The determinants of the regional problem
- Necessity, objectives, dilemmas, and framework of regional policy implementation
- Means for the implementation of regional policy
- Greek regional policy
- EU regional policy

4. TEACHING AND ASSESSMENT METHODS

TYPE OF LECTURES	In class lectures				
ICT USE	ICT use, Internet use and e-class				
TEACHING STRUCTURE	Activity	Hours per semester			
	Lectures	39			
	Weekly assignments	13			
	Studying	70			
	TOTAL	122			
ASSESSMENT METHODS	Assessment Language: Greek				
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	Written final exam (60%) which includes:				
	1.1. Short answer questions				
	1.2. Essay questions				
	1.3. Multiple choice questions				
	2. Assignment submitted	in written form and			
	evaluated orally (40%)				

5. RECOMMENDED READING

- -Ενδεικτική Προτεινόμενη Βιβλιογραφία:
- Αρτελάρης Π. (2023), Περιφερειακές Ανισότητες στην Ελλάδα, Κάλλιπος, Ανοικτές Ακαδημαϊκές Εκδόσεις, http://dx.doi.org/10.57713/kallipos-163
- Κόνσολας Ν (1997) Σύγχρονη Περιφερειακή Οικονομική Πολιτική, Παπαζήσης.

- Λαμπριανίδης Λ. (2012), Οικονομική Γεωγραφία, Αθήνα: Πατάκης
- Παπαδασκαλόπουλος Α. και Χριστοφάκης Μ. (2016), Περιφερειακός Προγραμματισμός και Αναπτυξιακός Σχεδιασμός, Παπαζήσης
- Πετράκος Γ. & Γ. Ψυχάρης, 2016, Περιφερειακή Ανάπτυξη στην Ελλάδα, 2η έκδοση, Αθήνα: Κριτική
- Πολύζος Σ. (2011), Περιφερειακή Ανάπτυξη, Κριτική