

Faculty of Economics / MANAGEMENT / ECONOMICS OF FIRM

Course:	ECONOMICS OF FIRM			
Course ID	Course status	Semester	ECTS credits	Lessons (Lessons+Exercises+Laboratory)
2136	Mandatory	1	6	2+2+0
Programs	MANAGEMENT			
Prerequisites	Course is not conditioned by other courses.			
Aims	Study the economics of the firm and understand the basic principles of the firms performances.			
Learning outcomes	After attending the course and studying course material student will be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • recognize the subject of study of the economics of the firm course; • describe relation between economics of the firm and other scientific disciplines; • recognize factors of firm economics; • interpret the influence of the firm economics factors on decision-making; • differentiate elements of direct influence of environment to the firm economics; • differentiate elements of indirect influence of environment to the firm economics; • describe and recognize various types of firms; • describe basic elements of the firm and their mutual conditionality; • describe reproduction process; • differentiate types of reproduction; • interpret the problem of production factors combination; • calculate the depreciation of fixed assets by depreciation method based on time and based on use (activity); • describe the characteristics of production factors; • recognize relation between physical and economic lifetime of assets; • describe the systematization of costs from different point of views; • graphically illustrate and interpret different types of costs in total and average amounts; • describe the relation between marginal and variable costs; • describe the relation between marginal and average total cost; • interpret zones of total cost; • interpret zones of operating results; • describe and calculate significant break-even points in firm performances. 			
Lecturer / Teaching assistant	Jasmina Četković, PhD / Milan Raičević, MSc			
Methodology	Lectures, exercises, consultations, essays, seminar papers, etc.			
Plan and program of work				
Preparing week	Preparation and registration of the semester			
I week lectures	Conceptual definition of the firm. Economics of the firm in the system of economic sciences. The relationship between economics of the firm and other scientific disciplines.			
I week exercises	Conceptual definition of the firm. Economics of the firm in the system of economic sciences. The relationship between economics of the firm and other scientific disciplines.			
II week lectures	The emergence and historical development of firm economics. Factors of firm economics.			
II week exercises	The emergence and historical development of firm economics. Factors of firm economics.			
III week lectures	Economic functions of the companies. Type of companies (businesses).			
III week exercises	Economic functions of the companies. Type of companies (businesses).			
IV week lectures	Reproduction as the object of studying of the firm economics. Reproductive processes (normal and disordered).			
IV week exercises	Reproduction as the object of studying of the firm economics. Reproductive processes (normal and disordered).			
V week lectures	Concept and types of firm production factors. Cost drivers in terms of production factors. A combination of production factors. Equal product curve. Equal cost curve.			
V week exercises	Concept and types of firm production factors. Cost drivers in terms of production factors. A combination of production factors. Equal product curve. Equal cost curve.			
VI week lectures	A combination of production factors – part II. Consumption of material. Labor costs.			
VI week exercises	A combination of production factors – part II. Consumption of material. Labor costs.			
VII week lectures	Cost of fixed assets. Depreciation of fixed assets.			
VII week exercises	Cost of fixed assets. Depreciation of fixed assets.			
VIII week lectures	Costs as a form of investments in reproduction process.			
VIII week exercises	Costs as a form of investments in reproduction process.			
IX week lectures	Systematization of costs. Dynamics of costs – introduction.			
IX week exercises	Systematization of costs. Dynamics of costs – introduction.			

X week lectures	Dynamics of costs – part II. Fixed costs. Relatively fixed costs. Proportional costs.					
X week exercises	Dynamics of costs – part II. Fixed costs. Relatively fixed costs. Proportional costs.					
XI week lectures	Dynamics of costs – part III. Dynamics of variable costs. Marginal costs. Relation between marginal and average total cost.					
XI week exercises	Dynamics of costs – part III. Dynamics of variable costs. Marginal costs. Relation between marginal and average total cost.					
XII week lectures	Test					
XII week exercises	Test					
XIII week lectures	Zones in dynamics of costs. Zones of business results.					
XIII week exercises	Zones in dynamics of costs. Zones of business results.					
XIV week lectures	Corrective test					
XIV week exercises	Corrective test.					
XV week lectures	Profit optimization. Significant break-even points in firm performances.					
XV week exercises	Profit optimization. Significant break-even points in firm performances.					
Student workload	Weekly - 8 hours Structure: 1 hour and 30 minutes for lectures, 1 hour and 30 minutes for exercise classes, 5 hours of student independent work, including consultations. Per semester - 180 hours Structure: Teaching and final exam: 8 hours x 16 weeks = 128 hours, Necessary preparations before the beginning of the semester (administration, enrollment, certification): 8 hours x 2 = 16 hours, Additional work for preparation and taking the exam in the correctional period: 36 hours.					
Per week			Per semester			
6 credits x 40/30=8 hours and 0 minuts 2 sat(a) theoretical classes 0 sat(a) practical classes 2 excercises 4 hour(s) i 0 minuts of independent work, including consultations			Classes and final exam: 8 hour(s) i 0 minuts x 16 =128 hour(s) i 0 minuts Necessary preparation before the beginning of the semester (administration, registration, certification): 8 hour(s) i 0 minuts x 2 =16 hour(s) i 0 minuts Total workload for the subject: 6 x 30=180 hour(s) Additional work for exam preparation in the preparing exam period, including taking the remedial exam from 0 to 30 hours (remaining time from the first two items to the total load for the item) 36 hour(s) i 0 minuts Workload structure: 128 hour(s) i 0 minuts (cources), 16 hour(s) i 0 minuts (preparation), 36 hour(s) i 0 minuts (additional work)			
Student obligations			Students are obliged to attend lectures and to do exam.			
Consultations			For additional information you can contact teachers by e-mail – Jasmina Četković jasminka@ucg.ac.me (room 307), Milan Raičević – milan.raic@ucg.ac.me (room 410), in person, before or after lectures, as well as at regular consultation time.			
Literature			• dr Klara Jakovčević, dr Ljubica Komazec, dr Slavica Tomić „Ekonomika preduzeća“, Faculty of Economics Subotica, 2009 • Blagoje Paunović „Ekonomika preduzeća – preduzeće, okruženje i ulaganja“ Faculty of Economics, University of Belgrade, 2015 • http://web.ebscohost.com (access from the Library of Faculty of Economics Podgorica)			
Examination methods			Test – 50 points, Active participation in classes – 10 points, Final exam – 40 points.			
Special remarks			/			
Comment			/			
Grade:	F	E	D	C	B	A
Number of points	less than 50 points	greater than or equal to 50 points and less than 60 points	greater than or equal to 60 points and less than 70 points	greater than or equal to 70 points and less than 80 points	greater than or equal to 80 points and less than 90 points	greater than or equal to 90 points