# Course Unit Descriptor

Study Programme: PRECISION AGRICULTURE

Course Unit Title: Operations research

Course Unit Code: 19.PRP019

Name of Lecturer(s): Full professor Snežana Matić-Kekić

Type and Level of Studies: Master academic studies

Course Status (compulsory/elective): elective

Semester (winter/summer): winter

Language of instruction: English

Mode of course unit delivery (face-to-face/distance learning): face-to-face

**Number of ECTS Allocated: 5** 

Prerequisites: -

**Course Aims:** 

To train the students to apply methods of operations research in practice.

**Learning Outcomes:** 

Student will be trained to apply methods of operations research in practice.

# **Syllabus:**

Theory

- heuristic programming methods: genetic algorithm, raking method, hill climbing, generate and try it out
- basics of the Monte-Carlo method: random number generation, statistical method for stochastic processes
- game theory: optimal strategy determination, saddle point, mixed matrix games, solving reduction, solving using linear programming
- network planning and management: project network diagram, project time analysis, critical path, project cost analysis, cost minimization and project duration optimization inventory management: mathematical models for managing inventory with constant demand, with demand greater than inventory, and with a constant rate of inventory depletion

#### Practice

Solving the problems rose from the theory.

### **Required Reading:**

1. Petrić, J., Operations research, 1. and 2. book (in Serbian), Savremena administracija, Belgrade, 1974.

Weekly Contact Hours: Lectures: 2 Practical work: 2

#### **Teaching Methods:**

Theory and practical classes, consultations if needed.

# **Knowledge Assessment (maximum of 100 points):**

| Pre-exam obligations       | points | Final exam   | points |
|----------------------------|--------|--------------|--------|
| Active class participation | 10     | written exam |        |
| Practical work             | 40     | oral exam    | 10     |
| Preliminary exam(s)        |        |              |        |
| Seminar(s)                 | 40     |              |        |

The methods of knowledge assessment may differ; the table presents only some of the options: written exam, oral exam, project presentation, seminars, etc.