Course Unit Descriptor

**Study Programme: ANIMAL SCIENCE** 

Course Unit Title: FIELD CROPS PRODUCTION

Course Unit Code: 19.ANM049

Name of Lecturer(s): Assoc. Prof. Goran Jaćimović, PhD; Prof. Dragana Latković, PhD

Type and Level of Studies: UAS

Course Status (compulsory/elective): Elective

Semester (winter/summer): WS

Language of instruction: ENG

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

**Number of ECTS Allocated:** 6

**Prerequisites:** 

#### **Course Aims:**

The aim of the course is that students learn how to in environment of Serbia or similar, can achieve higher and stable yields of good quality with satisfactory profitability and conservation of agro ecosystems. Next main field crops will be studied: wheat, barley, corn, beans, soybeans, peas, sunflower, rapeseed, sugar beet, potatoes, tobacco, hops.

### **Learning Outcomes:**

After completion of lectures and exercises student will be informed with the basic elements of growing technology of field crops. After passing the exam, the candidate will be qualified to lead the production of field crops and to be successful in this production; and will be trained to combine the knowledge, ability and skills with the given environmental conditions.

#### **Syllabus:**

Theory: For each plant species will be studied following chapters: 1) General characteristics: economic importance, area and yields in the world and in our country, geographic distribution, origin and growing history of the crop. 2) Biological characteristics and requirements for growing conditions. 3) Production technology: crop rotation (rotation and convenience in the crop rotation), tillage; seedbed preparation; fertilization (manner, time and amount of nutrients), sowing (choice of varieties and/or hybrids, seed quality, seed preparation for sowing, time and method of sowing, sowing rate or crop density which need to be achieved with emphasis on varietal specificity); crop care (protection against weeds, pests and diseases, eventually nitrogen top dressing, inter-row cultivation and specific measures of care); harvest (physiological and technological maturity, time and method of harvesting, after harvest processing and storage). In the context of growing technology, special attention will be paid to the quality of the applied measures and cost-effectiveness.

*Practice:* On the exercises, students will be familiar with the morphology and ongoing stages of growth and development (phenological phases and stages of organogenesis) of the above crops. Within exercises will be presented fresh and dry plant material and photos of plants.

# **Required Reading:**

Weekly Contact Hours: Lectures: 2 Practical work: 2

Teaching Methods: Lectures and students group work and consultations

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

| Pre-exam obligations | points | Final exam   | points |
|----------------------|--------|--------------|--------|
| Active class         | 5      | written exam | 30     |

| participation       |    |           |    |
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| Practical work      | 25 | oral exam | 40 |
| Preliminary exam(s) |    |           |    |
| Seminar(s)          |    |           |    |

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