

Course Unit Descriptor

Study Programme: Animal Production			
Course Unit Title: Organic poultry production			
Course Unit Code: 3MCT1H04			
Name of Lecturer(s): Dr. Lidija V. Perić, Dr. Mirjana B. Đukić Stojčić			
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: 6			
Prerequisites: No			
Course Aims: The aim of the course is the education and training of students for professional work in the field of poultry breeding in organic farming. The student should acquire a broad knowledge and understanding of poultry organic production, as well as ways and methods to apply knowledge in practice.			
Learning Outcomes: Outcome of this course is a specialist who has knowledge of poultry organic production which enables him to efficiently and competently manage poultry production and solve technological problems. A student is trained to work on organizing poultry production on organic farms, co-operatives, entrepreneurial firms and their own farms, as well as in extension professional services.			
Syllabus: <i>Theory</i> Introduction. Types and breeds of poultry for organic production. Poultry behavior and welfare. Basic principles of organic production in poultry farming. Production of table eggs: breeds, housing, nutrition, hygiene and disease prevention, animal welfare, egg quality. Meat production: breeds, housing, nutrition, hygiene and disease prevention, animal welfare, carcass quality. Production standards and legal regulations. Certification. Economic aspects of organic poultry production. Marketing of organic poultry products. <i>Practice</i> Field exercises. Examination of the quality of poultry meat and eggs from organic production. Calculation of economic indicators and farm management. Market and marketing of organic poultry products.			
Required Reading: Lumpkin, N.: Organic Poultry Production, Welsh Institute of Rural Studies, Wales, 1997. Sandilands, V., Hocking, P: Alternative Systems for Poultry: Health, Welfare and Productivity, CABI Publishers, 2012.			
Weekly Contact Hours: 4	Lectures: 2	Practical work: 2	
Teaching Methods: Lectures, Practical classes, Consultations.			
Knowledge Assessment (maximum of 100 points):			
Pre-exam obligations	points	Final exam	points
Active class participation	5	written exam	

Practical work	5	oral exam	60
Preliminary exam(s)		
Seminar(s)	30		
The methods of knowledge assessment may differ; the table presents only some of the options: written exam, oral exam, project presentation, seminars, etc.			