



UNIVERSITY OF PIRAEUS

1) GENERAL

SCHOOL	ECONOMICS, BUSINESS AND INTERNATIONAL STUDIES		
ACADEMIC UNIT	ECONOMICS		
LEVEL OF STUDIES	UNDERGRADUATE		
COURSE CODE	OKΠΤΧ01	SEMESTER	8
COURSE TITLE	THESIS		
INDEPENDENT TEACHING ACTIVITIES	WEEKLY TEACHING HOURS	CREDITS	
Lectures	4	5	
COURSE TYPE	Scientific Expertise		
PREREQUISITE COURSES	All compulsory courses of the first 6 semesters		
LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION and EXAMINATIONS	Greek (English in case of Erasmus Students)		
IS THE COURSE OFFERED TO ERASMUS STUDENTS	YES		
COURSE WEBSITE (URL)	https://eclass.unipi.gr/courses/OEP501/		

2) LEARNING OUTCOMES

Learning Outcomes

The learning objectives of the course include the following:

- How to choose the research topic, taking into account the available time and available appropriate resources.
- How to effectively find and properly cite appropriate scholarly resources.
- How to write a scientific paper effectively without wasting time.
- How to present your research in 30 seconds or less, at a satisfactory scientific level.
- Description of a thesis in a detailed manner to help guide both your research and writing.
- Improving the scientific content, richness, structure and rhetoric of your writing.
- Developing your own personal, scientific writing style when writing your thesis.

General Competences

- Search, analysis and synthesis of data and information, using the necessary technologies
- Adaptation to new situations
- Decision making
- Autonomous work
- Work in an international environment
- Work in an interdisciplinary environment
- Generation of new research ideas
- Respect for diversity and multiculturalism
- Respect for the natural environment
- Demonstrate social, professional and ethical responsibility and sensitivity to gender issues
- Exercise criticism and self-criticism
- Promotion of free, creative and inductive thinking.

3) SYLLABUS

- The main topics covered in the course include:
- Selection of thesis topic.
- Planning a reasonable amount of work for the spring semester.
- Setting specific goals and milestones.
- Effective tools for writing your thesis from Microsoft Word, and using/exploiting Large Language Models (LLMs), i.e. "black box Artificial Intelligence systems" that use "deep learning" algorithms on extremely large databases in order to understand and reproduce new relevant written texts or results. Learning the method of declaring the use of the above in the thesis text.
- Maintaining good communication with your thesis' academic advisor

- Finding and citing primary sources from the relevant literature
- Writing a thesis: Contents and Συγγραφή της πτυχιακής εργασίας: Μέρη και περιεχόμενο.

4) TEACHING and LEARNING METHODS

DELIVERY	In class lectures	
USE OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY	in Teaching, in Laboratory Education, in Communication with students	
TEACHING METHODS	Activity	Semester workload
	Lectures	8
	Seminars and (four) sessions with the essay advisor	10
	Study of relevant literature, Formulation of research position, Finding data, Analyzing data with appropriate research methods	70
	Essay writing	42
	Course Total	130
STUDENT PERFORMANCE EVALUATION	Erasmus students: assessment method by written Essay (in English) Assessed text of written examination accessible by the students upon request	
ATTACHED BIBLIOGRAPHY	See course website	