COURSE OUTLINE Urban fabric and water from the antiquity to present times

EDUCATION LEVEL	7				
CODE	WBCC-532op S			MESTER	2 nd
TITLE	Urban fabric and water from the antiquity to present times				
TEACHING ACTIVITIES		HOURS/WEEK		ECTS	
Lectures,		3		6	
TYPE OF COURSE	Elective course (in both specializations)				
PREREQUISITE KNOWLEDGE					
LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION AND ASSESSMENT	Greek				
AVAILABILITY TO ERASMUS STUDENTS					
WEBSITE (URL)	https://eclass.uoa.gr/courses/GEOL584/				

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Learning Outcomes/Subject Specific Competences

The course aims to highlight the importance of water in the development of cities and follows the temporal evolution of both urban planning and technical infrastructures related to the water element to arrive at an understanding of the management techniques and solutions to Urban Hydrology issues in today's cities.

Through this timeless evolution and the monitoring of the urban transformations of cities, the contribution of water to the development process of cities, to the improvement of the standard of living and the need for its protection and integrated management is perceived.

Upon completion of the course, students will be able to:

- \Rightarrow Realize the size and importance of constructions, as well as the techniques used in ancient times for the use of water resources in inhabited areas and their contribution to the process of urban development.
- \Rightarrow Realize the importance of the rational management of water resources in urban environments in today's cities.
- \Rightarrow To be able to propose in basic and general lines solutions that in their opinion contribute to the optimal management of water resources in urban environments and especially through innovative approaches and practices.

Generic Competences

- Search, analysis, and synthesis of data and information
- Development of critical thinking
- Comparison and search for bibliographic sources
- Cultivation of teamwork through discussion circles and group work
- Promotion of originality in work
- Respect for diversity and multiculturalism
- Respect for the natural environment

Promotion of free, creative, and inductive thinking

COURSE CONTENT

The purpose of this course is to present to the students in the form of an analytical description, but also to delve into the technical details of all the projects from classical times to the beginning of the Industrial Revolution, which were connected to the various uses of water, in urban areas. Aqueducts, bridges, water purification and distribution devices, canals, embankments, wells, fountains, drainage systems, tunnels, trenches, siphons, cisterns, and baths are part of the multitude of technical works, which with excellent technique for their time and precision but also durability, they were manufactured from Classical times and the Roman era up to the Byzantine period. In addition, the aim of this course is to study issues related to Urban Hydrology and concern the past and the current century, as well as the presentation of solutions used by experts to deal with these issues in large or even smaller cities and settlements. Finally, the aim is to highlight the modern issues of integrated water management that concern cities and are related to climate change, to the utilization for tourism purposes, etc.

Educational objectives:

Introduction - Research methods - Basic characteristics of water - Human effects and needs

History of cities (quotes)

Historical review of city-water relationship

I. Integrating water into spatial planning

Ia. Urban planning & Urban composition

Ib. Technical Networks

Ic. Cities-Ports

Id. Cities & Rivers

Ie. Port Infrastructures

Ig. Architecture & Water

II. Water & Cultural Heritage

IIa. Architectural & Industrial Heritage

IIb. Intangible Heritage

III. Water as a means of development: Ecotourism & Water Element

IV. Climate change & water management in modern cities

LEARNING ACTIVITIES - TEACHING and ASSESSMENTS METHODS

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MODE OF DELIVERY	Distance learning				
USE OF INFORMATION AND	Use of ICT in teaching, applications, and communication with students.				
COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY	Use of the e-class platform and presentations with multimedia content				
	(images, animation, video).				
PLANNED LEARNING ACTIVITIES	Activity	Semester Workload			
	Lectures- interactive teahing	3 hrs x 13 weeks			
	Study & analysis of literature	60 h			
	Individual Project	60 h			
	Total	159 h			
ASSESSMENT METHODS AND	The evaluation process includes:				
CRITERIA	Individual Semester Project:				
	⇒ It involves a verbal presentation of the project to the entire class				
	and instructors (15 minutes duration in a ppt presentation)				
	⇒ The submission of a project document. The project document				
	should be approximately 3000-4000 words in length and may include				
	supplementary images, figures, diagrams, maps, or any other materials				
	deemed necessary by the students.				
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	This individual semester project constitutes: 100%. Oral Presentation: 30%				
	Project Document: 70%				

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