

Course Title	Final Project				
Course Code	PROJ302				
Course Type	Theoretical				
Level	Higher Diploma				
Year / Semester	3 <sup>rd</sup> Year / 6 <sup>th</sup> Semester				
Teacher's Name	Konstantinou Marina				
ECTS	6	Lectures / week	3	Laboratories / week	-
Course Purpose and Objectives	The aim of this course is to give students the opportunity to acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to identify a research question, to learn the proper way to review literature, to follow a specific research methodology and to conduct a scientific manuscript. The main goal of this course is to introduce students to the concept of preparing a dissertation in a specialized Logistics topic.				
Learning Outcomes	<p>Upon the completion of the course, the students are expected to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Recognize, identify, delimit a specific research problem regarding Logistics science.</li> <li>•Evaluate the necessity for the development of a research project based on the review of the existing literature.</li> <li>•Collect systematically and critically the related literature.</li> <li>•Compose the appropriate research methodology to approach the problem.</li> <li>•Organize the appropriate protocol for the elaboration of the research.</li> <li>•Be able to prepare a bibliographic research-based thesis of at least five thousand (5,000) words in a subject relevant to the Logistics.</li> </ul>				
Prerequisites	None	Required	None		
Course Content	<p>The content of this course will be taught in two major parts:</p> <p><b><u>Part A:</u></b>  The first five (5) weeks of the course will include in-classroom lectures to introduce students in research methodology and to prepare them for the writing part of the Final Project. Part A will include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Introduction to the basic methodological principles and statistics of research on all aspects of logistics and supply chain management.</li> <li>2. Approaches for the solution of a research problem and selection of methodology.</li> <li>3. Investigation of different research approaches.</li> <li>4. Sampling and data collection methods, including pilot research, questionnaires, interviews, case studies, content analysis and observation.</li> <li>5. Correct ways of reviewing the literature, scientific sources.</li> <li>6. Quantitative and qualitative data and statistical analysis, interpretation and presentation of results.</li> <li>7. Preparing the appropriate protocol for the elaboration of the research</li> </ol> <p><b><u>Part B:</u></b>  The topics of the Final Project will be assigned during the 5<sup>th</sup> week of the course according to each Final Project Supervisor and the students' preferences. Each topic will be based on already available data sets or metadata analysis, statistical analysis and literature review. The Final Project manuscript is prepared and completed during the last 7 weeks of the course. The Final Project manuscript is submitted in two book bound copies and in two copies in electronic format. Bibliographical references annex should be based on prestigious scientific journals and books. References</p>				

	should be cited at all points of the Final Project manuscript where the source has been used and should be based on the rules established by the American Psychological Association (APA Style).												
Teaching Methodology	<p>The first part of the course, Part A (5 weeks), will consist of lectures with PowerPoint presentations, the use of a board, guided discussions with the active participation of students.</p> <p>The second part of the course, Part B (7 weeks), will consist of interpersonal meetings of each student with the Final Project Supervisor, at regular time intervals, either in pre-arranged meetings at KES college or online, in order to provide guidance, organize the implementation of the Final Project and receive feedback on the progress of the work.</p>												
Bibliography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Halldórsson Á., Arlbjörn J.S. (2005) Research Methodologies in Supply Chain Management — What Do We Know?. In: Kotzab H., Seuring S., Müller M., Reiner G. (eds) Research Methodologies in Supply Chain Management. Physica-Verlag HD. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/3-7908-1636-1_8">https://doi.org/10.1007/3-7908-1636-1_8</a></li> <li>• KES College (2020), «Οδηγός Συγγραφής Εργασιών»</li> <li>• KES College (2020), «Οδηγός για Βιβλιογραφία APA».</li> <li>• The choice of the dissertation bibliography is based on the student's Thesis topic.</li> </ul>												
Assessment	<p>The evaluation of the course Final Project is based on Part A of the course, taught in planned - in classroom - lectures (10% of the total grade) and the second part of the course, with the Final Project manuscript, weighting of 90% of the total grade.</p> <table> <tr> <td>Part A: Attendance and Participation</td> <td>10%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Part B: Final Project Manuscript</td> <td>90%</td> </tr> </table> <p><u>Evaluation of the Final Project Manuscript:</u></p> <table> <tr> <td>• Work Plan and Structure</td> <td>20%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>• Literature Review</td> <td>30%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>• Methodology, Data Collection &amp; Analysis</td> <td>20%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>• Findings / Results, Discussion and Conclusions</td> <td>30%</td> </tr> </table>	Part A: Attendance and Participation	10%	Part B: Final Project Manuscript	90%	• Work Plan and Structure	20%	• Literature Review	30%	• Methodology, Data Collection & Analysis	20%	• Findings / Results, Discussion and Conclusions	30%
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