

Annex No. 3		First Cycle Studies Course Programme			
1.	Course Title	Fundamentals of Economics			
2.	Code	ECN110			
3.	Study programme	Economics			
4.	Organizer of the study programme (university unit, i.e. institute, chair, department)	Ss Cyril and Methodius University in Skopje Faculty of Economics – Skopje			
5.	Level (first, second, third cycle)	First cycle of studies			
6.	Academic year / semester	First year/ First (winter) semester	7.	Number of ECTS – credits	7.5
8.	Professors	Prof. Vladimir Filipovski, Ph.D., Prof. Predrag Trpeski, Ph.D.			
9.	Preconditions for enrolment	-			
10.	<p>Course objectives and competences:</p> <p>After completing this course, students should be able to understand and explain:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How do markets for goods and services operate, i.e., how do demand and supply interact to determine market prices. • How do markets for factors of production operate. • The features and outcomes of different market structures: perfect competition, monopoly, oligopoly, and monopolistic competition. • What are the main types of market failures and how do governments intervene to regulate them? • What are the fundamental macroeconomic aggregates and the methodologies for their calculations? • How does the macroeconomy function in the long run and why is economic growth important? • How does the macroeconomy function in the short run why are business cycles important? • What is the interaction between inflation and unemployment, as two key macroeconomic problems? • The functioning of fiscal policy and the use of its instruments for macroeconomic stabilization and economic growth • The functioning of monetary policy and the use of its instruments for macroeconomic stabilization and high employment • The major forms of international economic relations, the key elements of the balance of payment and the main factors determining foreign exchange rates. • What are the key ideas of the modern schools of macroeconomic thought and what are their implications for macroeconomic policies? 				
11.	<p>Course contents:</p> <p>Introduction: economics as a science – subject and methodology</p> <p>I. Fundamentals of microeconomics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Market for goods and services – demand, supply, market price, market equilibrium • Theory of consumer choice • Theory of production and costs of production • Market for factors of production • Market structures: perfect competition, monopoly, oligopoly, monopolistic competition • Market failures and their regulation: externalities, public goods, asymmetric information, monopolies <p>II. Fundamentals of macroeconomics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key macroeconomic objectives and policies • Key macroeconomic aggregates and their measurement • Macroeconomy in the long run – economic growth • Macroeconomy in the short run – business cycles • Unemployment, inflation and the Phillips curve • Fiscal policy and its use for macroeconomic stabilization and growth • Monetary policy and its use for macroeconomic stabilization and growth 				

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fundamentals of international economics: foreign trade, international capital flows, balance of payments and foreign exchange rates Modern schools of macroeconomic thought 					
12.	Learning methods: interactive lectures, study of literature, case study presentations, consultations, individual work on assignments.					
13.	Total hours		7.5 ECTS x 30 study hours = 225 study hours			
14.	Allocation of hours per activity		90+30+15+90= 225 study hours			
15.	Types of teaching activates	15.1.	Lectures	90 study hours		
		15.2.	Exercises (Seminars)	0 study hours		
16.	Other types of activities	16.1.	Projects	30 study hours		
		16.2.	Individual assignments	15 study hours		
16.	Other types of activities	16.3	Homework study	90 study hours		
17.	Grading method: 80+15+5=100 points					
	17.1.	Tests (Domain, Essay, Multiple choice exam, Case)		80%		
	17.2.	Individual or group projects / assessment		15%		
	17.3.	Attendance and class participation		5%		
18.	Grading scale		less than 50 points	5 (five) (F)		
			from 51 to 60 points	6 (six) (E)		
			from 61 to 70 points	7 (seven) (D)		
			from 71 to 80 points	8 (eight) (C)		
			from 81 to 90 points	9 (nine) (B)		
			from 91 to 100 points	10 (ten) (A)		
19.	Preconditions for taking the final exam		Realized activities from points 15 and 16			
20.	Language		Macedonian (or English)			
21.	Evaluation method		Internal evaluation and survey			
22.	Literature					
	Compulsory literature					
		Реден број	Автор	Наслов	Издавач	Година
	22.1.	1.	Фити, Т.	<i>Економија - основи на економијата</i>	Култура, Скопје	2016
		2.	Менкју, Г.	<i>Принципи на економијата</i> (Translation in Macedonian)	Нампрес, Скопје	2009
		3.				
	Additional literature					
		Ordinal Number	Author	Title	Publisher	Year
	22.2.	1.	Mankiw, G.	<i>Principles of Economics</i> , 9th edition	Cengage Learning	2020
		2.	Krugman, P., Wells, R.	<i>Essentials of Economics</i> , Fifth Edition	MacMillan	2020

		3.	Parkin, M.	<i>Economics</i> , 13 th Edition	Pearson	2018
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