
Course title: ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

ECTS credit allocation (and other scores): 2.5

Semester: spring

Level of study: ISCED-7 - second-cycle programmes (EQF-7)

Branch of science: Agricultural sciences

Language: English

Number of hours per semester: 45

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Type of classes: classes and lectures

Substantive content

CLASSES: Assessment of selected environmental policy measures in terms of their efficiency and effectiveness. Analysis of environmental policy evolutions, with particular emphasis on the protection of biodiversity as well as management of natural resources. Selected issues of the environmental policy (local, regional, national, international) – problem-solving sessions.

LECTURES: The current state of the natural environment in Poland as a basis for the implementation of environmental policy. Environmental protection concepts. Environmental policy – basic assumptions, objectives, and principles. Evolution of the environmental policy. Environmental protection and sectoral policies. Environmental policy and environmental protection instruments in the European Union. The influence of the integration of Poland with the EU on the environmental policy. Economic consequences of the implementation of environmental policy. Environmental policy instruments. Financing and investments in environmental protection. Responsibility in environmental protection and the tasks of public administration in the field of environmental protection. Social aspects of environmental protection and environmental awareness.

Learning purpose: Learning about the principles of environmental policy development at various levels and presenting information about both the instruments used to achieve the objectives of this policy and implementation problems.

On completion of the study programme the graduate will gain:

Knowledge: The student indicates the links between the environmental policy and sectoral policies. Explains the processes of changes to the environmental policy and indicates priority measures. Identifies current problems of the environmental policy.

Skills: Student understands political as well as legal and economic determinants of environmental protection. Analyses the causes and effects of changes introduced to the environmental policy.

Social Competencies: The student is able to use knowledge of environmental issues in education and the development of environmental awareness of the public, as well as in resolution of conflicts at various levels in the area of environmental protection through negotiations. The student is also oriented towards pro-environmental measures and is able to identify priorities in environmental policy and is aware of the need for changes and the necessity for supplementary education in the field of environmental policy.

Basic literature: Bernaciak A., Gaczek W. M. 2001. Ekonomiczne aspekty ochrony środowiska. Wyd. Akademii Ekonomicznej w Poznaniu; Małachowski K. (red.) 2007. Gospodarka a środowisko i ekologia. CeDeWu, Warszawa; Ciechanowicz-McLean J. 2009. Prawo i polityka ochrony środowiska. Wolters Kluwer Business.



Supplementary literature: Folmer H., L. Gabel, H. Opschoor. 1996. Ekonomia środowiska i zasobów naturalnych. Krupski i S-ka; Dobrzańska B, G. Dobrzański, D. Kiełczewski. 2009. Ochrona środowiska przyrodniczego. PWN, Warszawa; Graczyk A., A.M. Graczyk. 2011. Wprowadzanie mechanizmów rynkowych w ochronie środowiska. PWE, Warszawa; Papuziński A (red.). 2000. Polityka ekologiczna III Rzeczypospolitej. Wyd. Uczelniane AB.

The allocated number of ECTS points consists of:

Contact hours with an academic teacher: 1.74 ECTS points

Student's independent work: 0.76 ECTS points