



SILVICULTURE 1” GAME MANAGMENT

Basic data of the subject	
Academic Unit:	Life and Environmental Sciences Faculty
Course title:	Game management
Program:	Forestry and Environmental Sciences
Level:	Bachelor
Course status:	Selective
Study year:	Second year, second semester
Number of hours per week:	3+2
Credit value – ECTS:	6
Time / location:	To be announced
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Course description:	<p>The course provides knowledge on wildlife monitoring and hunting and informs that this management an obligation and responsibility of hunting managers who regularly and periodically collect information on the status of wildlife in all aspects, both numerically, healthily, age groups, social class and habitat suitability. Inventory of wildlife species gives a realistic view of the existing situation and sets out the objectives of increasing the number of wildlife in relation to optimal hunting site capacities. Monitoring data is the basis for long-term hunting site management plans and annual and operational plans. Monitoring provides inferences about populations and their habitats (conditions, trends) for each species, this is also a basis for changing the status and list of wildlife for hunting at the state level.</p>
Course objectives:	<p>It is to obtain information about the state of the wildlife sector for hunting and its monitoring in particular. Institutions responsible for the management of this sector, the scientific forms of their management, propagation and cultivation.</p>
Learning outcomes:	<p>After completing this course, students will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify the difficulties surrounding the establishment of hunting grounds and their management, • Solve the problems of illegal hunting, • Increase the use of Information, communication and cooperation,



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessment, training and capacity building, • Selection of methods of monitoring wild animals and hunting, • Determination of cultivation methods, increasing the number of wild animal populations, (to increase the population fund), • Modification of legislation with that of the European Union, and international conventions and agreements. 		
Contribution on student load (must correspond with learning outcomes)			
Activity	Hours	Days/week	Total
Lectures	3	15	45
Exercise theoretical/laboratory	1	15	15
Practice work	1	5	5
Contact with lecturer/consultations	1	15	15
Field exercises	2	15	30
Mid-terms, seminars	1	-	1
Homework	-	-	-
Individual time spent studying (at the library or home)	1	15	15
Final preparation for the exam	1	15	15
Time spent in evaluation (tests, quiz, final exam)	1	5	5
Projects, presentations, etc.	4	-	4
Total			150 hours (6 ECTS)
Teaching methods :	Lectures, discussions, consultations, technical exercises, formula solutions, independent projects, colloquia, exams.		
Evaluation methods:	First grade (colloquium): 15%, Seminars or other commitments: 10%, Regular attendance: 5%: Final exam: 70%: Total: 100%.		
Literature			
Basic Literature:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Predator and Varmint Hunter's Gidebook: Patric Meitin 2018. • National Strategy for the Sustainable Management of Wildlife and Hunting 2013 – 2023 		
Additional Literature:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guide to setting up a Wildlife and Hunting Monitoring System Prishtina • LAW NO. 02 / L-53 On hunting, Kosovo 2011 		

Designed study plan:



Week	Lectures	Exercises
<i>First week:</i>	Wildlife habitat monitoring	Assessment of the quality of habitats for the following species Common deer (<i>Cervus Elaphus</i>), <i>Capreolus capreolus</i> , Wild goat (<i>Rupicapra rupicapra</i>), Wild boar (<i>Sus scrofa</i>), Large wild hen (<i>Tetrao urogallus</i>), Hunting pet (rabbit, pheasant, partridge), waterfowl (ducks, geese), large predators (brown bear, wolf, lynx)
<i>Second week:</i>	Wildlife population monitoring	Current number of cages, their structure, dynamics and distribution.
<i>Third week:</i>	Monitoring of dead wildlife, and causes for death	Number and form of animal killing, hunting, traffic, natural disasters, diseases etc.
<i>Fourth week:</i>	Monitoring of hunters and wildlife management areas	Hunter numbers and demographics. Number and extent of hunting site
<i>Fifth week:</i>	Economic indicators of hunting	Damage to wildlife in agriculture, forestry, fisheries etc.
<i>Sixth week:</i>	Field visit	Field visit
<i>Seventh week:</i>	Damages to wildlife and hunting	Illegal hunting, diseases, etc.
<i>Eighth week:</i>	Economic damage caused by wildlife	Implementation and responsibilities
<i>Ninth week:</i>	Management areas for wildlife	Management plan, hunting rules etc.
<i>Tenth week:</i>	Implementation frameworks and guidelines	Steps of action for the implementation of the Strategy
<i>Eleventh week:</i>	Monitoring progress, evaluating and updating	Periods for evaluating measures
<i>Twelfth week:</i>	Review of the situation in Kosovo - statistics	State of land use, natural and social characteristics in Kosovo
<i>Thirteenth week:</i>	International experiences and conventions	International conventions and regulations



<i>Fourteenth week:</i>	List of wildlife species that are subject to the law on hunting	Management guide to the major wildlife species for hunting
<i>Fifteenth week:</i>	Management guide for major animal species	Course project presentation
Academic policies and rules of conduct:		
Regular and active participation of students in lectures, exercises (practical part) and in seminar work. Keeping quiet in lecture, disabling mobile phones, timely access to the classroom, etc.		