

Study programme: Geography teaching			
Level: Bachelor with honours			
Course title: Geography of Western Balkans Countries			
Lecturer: dr Milka Bubalo-Živković			
Status: Elective			
ECTS: 6			
Requirements: -			
Learning objectives: Exploring the geographical characteristics and geographical problems of the Western Balkans and the perception of geopolitical processes.			
Learning outcomes: The knowledge gained in the subject Geography of the Western Balkans will be applicable in the teaching of geography.			
Syllabus			
<i>Theoretical instruction:</i>			
The geographical position of the Western Balkans, the geopolitical situation in the Western Balkans and its changes, countries of the Western Balkans: The Republic of Slovenia, the Republic of Croatia, the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbian Republic, Montenegro, Macedonia and Albania. Within each state are processed boundaries and the size of government; physical and geographical characteristics of the country (geological history, structure and tectonic, geomorphological characteristics, climatic characteristics, water - the sea, rivers, lakes, springs and wells, thermal and thermo-mineral water, land, flora and fauna and protected natural areas), then socio-geographical characteristics (geographical and historical development of the country, demographic changes in the country's economy - economic resources as a factor of development, economic structure; settlements - urban and rural) and the regions and regional development in the state, reciprocal links and connectivity of the Western Balkans.			
<i>Practical instruction:</i>			
Comparative analysis physical and socio-geographical characteristics country of the Western Balkans with the use of cartographic material, statistical data, literature and field research material.			
Literature:			
Oglin, D., 2005, A Contribution to the Definition of Thermal Belt in Sub-pannonian Slovenia. Geographica Pannonica, Vol 9, p 4-8.			
Cernatič-Gregorič, A., Zega, M., 2010, The Impact of Human Activities on Dolines (Sinkholes) – Typical Geomorphologic Features on Karst (Slovenia) and Possibilities of their Preservation. Geographica Pannonica, Vol 14, Issue 4, p 109-117.			
Madžević, M., Apostolovska-Toshevska, B., Iliev, D., 2013, A Process of Demographic and Economic Polarization in the Republic of Macedonia, Geographica Pannonica, Vol 17, Issue 2, p 37-45.			
Douglas Philips, 2004, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Chelsea House Publishers, Broomall, United States, ISBN10: 0791079112; ISBN13: 9780791079119.			
Šimko, D. & Ueli M., (2010). Stabilization and Progress in the Western Balkans : Proceedings of the Symposium 2010, Basel, Switzerland, Peter Lang AG, Internationaler Verlag der Wissenschaften. ISBN10 3034306407; ISBN13: 9783034306409.			
Lukic, Tamara, Rastislav Stojisavljevic, Branislav Durdev, Imre Nagy, and Bojan Dercan. "Depopulation in the Western Balkan countries." European Journal of Geography 3, no. 2 (2012): 6-23.			
Horváth, Gyula, ed. Regional Transformation Processes in the Western Balkan Countries. Centre for Regional Studies, 2011.			
Weekly teaching load 4 (60)			Other:
Lectures: 2	Exercises: 2	Other forms of teaching: -	Student research: -
Methods of Teaching: Lectures, Individual work, Group work			
Knowledge score (maximum 100 points)			
Pre-examination assignments	points	Final examination	points
Activities during lectures	0-5	Written examination	
Practical skills	0-5	Oral examination	30-45
Colloquia	20-40	
Seminar paper	0-5		