



## COURSE DESCRIPTION CARD - SYLLABUS

Course name

Small Business Management

### Course

Field of study

Mathematics in technology

Area of study (specialization)

Level of study

First-cycle studies

Form of study

full-time

Year/Semester

2/4

Profile of study

general academic

Course offered in

Polish

Requirements

elective

### Number of hours

Lecture

15

Laboratory classes

Tutorials

Projects/seminars

Other (e.g. online)

### Number of credit points

1

### Lecturers

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Responsible for the course/lecturer:

### Prerequisites

1. The Student knows the basic concepts of economics and finance of enterprises as well as management. Has general knowledge about entrepreneurship and the functioning of companies in a market economy

2. The Student has the skills to perceive, associate and interpret phenomena occurring in enterprises and in the economy fields



3. The Student understands and is prepared to take social responsibility for decisions in the field of managing an enterprise

### Course objective

To familiarize Students with the specifics of creating and managing a small enterprises

Paying attention to the SME's problem of growth and rising sources of financing

### Course-related learning outcomes

#### Knowledge

1. The Student knows the essence and specificity of functioning of small enterprises
2. The Students has knowledge of various aspects of strategic management of a small company
3. The Student has knowledge about alternative sources of small enterprises financing

#### Skills

1. The Student has the ability to manage and develop with the growth of the enterprise
2. The Student has the ability to make optimal choices in the field of financial management
3. The Student has the ability to formulate problems and make choices in the field of strategic management and the ability to define enterprise mission, vision and values

#### Social competences

1. The Student should be prepared to act as the manager (owner) of a small enterprise
2. The Student is able to communicate efficiently and defend his arguments
3. The Student is aware of the social role played by the manager (owner) in the company and its environment

### Methods for verifying learning outcomes and assessment criteria

Learning outcomes presented above are verified as follows:

LECTURES - Formative assessment: active in discussions summarizing individual lectures or given material (e.g. books, movies), giving the Student the opportunity to assess the understanding of the problem; optional written works (e.g. essay) assigned during the semester; case-study tasks.

Summative assessment: written exam on the last lecture (to obtain a positive grade, 55% of points are required); the lecturer can conduct a final exam in the form of a remote test via the Moodle platform

PRACTICE (CASES): Formative assessment: current activity during classes and participation in the discussions; preparing presentation and business plan in selected legal identity and its presentation during the classes; tests; written works (essay) based on given books, articles or movies; written analysis of case-study; final test; tests).

Summative assessment: the arithmetic average of the formative grades with rounding conditions given and placed on the MOODLE platform - inability to getting promotion without a colloquium for a positive



grade (min. 55% of points); the lecturer can conduct a final test in the form of a remote test via the Moodle platform

### Programme content

1. The definition and essence of small enterprises
2. Development and significance of small business in modern market economy
3. Globalization and internationalization and SMEs
4. Strategic management in small business (formulation of strategies; strategic and financial analysis tools; facilitating and hindering strategy building factors in a small company )
5. Strategic management in small business (areas of strategy selection, characteristics of strategic management in SMEs; basic indicators - allowing to assess the profitability of enterprises)
6. The issue of knowledge management and the possibilities of its implementation in small business
7. Company building (I: opportunities for SMEs; II: barriers for SMEs)
8. The concept of organization and management; Company mission, vision and values
9. Meaning of the SMEs definition and possible of legal forms of running business in Poland
10. Goals and ways of defining them as well as their role and significance
11. Functions of management in the aspect of small business
12. Business Plan as a planning function - his functions, recipients and structure
13. Financial management of SMEs (review of market sources of financing: equity and foreign capital; effective forms of financing small enterprises)
14. Financial management of small business (alternative sources of financing)
15. Contemporary management concepts and the possibilities of their implementation in SMEs

### Teaching methods

- I. FEEDBACK: Information lecture, Problem lecture, Conversational lecture, Talk, Lecture, Reading
- II. SEARCHING: Case study, Brainstorming, Round table discussion, Discussion - pyramid, Discussion - seminar, Discussion - paper,
- III. TUTORIAL - PRACTICAL: Auditorium exercises, Demonstration method, Project method, Workshop method, Tasks solving
- IV. EXPOSING: Demonstration (film / presentation)

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**Breakdown of average student's workload**

	Hours	ECTS
Total workload	39	1,0
Classes requiring direct contact with the teacher	21	1,0
Student's own work (literature studies, preparation for laboratory classes/tutorials, preparation for tests/exam, project preparation) <sup>1</sup>	18	1,0

<sup>1</sup> delete or add other activities as appropriate