# POZNAN UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY



EUROPEAN CREDIT TRANSFER AND ACCUMULATION SYSTEM (ECTS)

# **COURSE DESCRIPTION CARD - SYLLABUS**

#### Course name

Decision problems in logistics I [S2Trans1-LogTr>PDwL1]

Coordinators		Lecturers	
Number of credit points 4,00			
Tutorials 0	Projects/seminar 0	S	
Number of hours Lecture 30	Laboratory class 15	es	Other (e.g. online) 0
Form of study full-time		Requirements compulsory	
Level of study second-cycle		Course offered ir Polish	1
Area of study (specialization) Logistics of Transport		Profile of study general academi	с
Field of study Transport		Year/Semester 1/1	

#### **Prerequisites**

Knowledge: student has basic knowledge in the field of mathematics, operational research and transport and management Skills: student is able to integrate the obtained information, make their interpretation, draw conclusions, formulate and justify the opinions of the ability to see, match and interpret phenomena Social competencies: the student is aware of the importance and non-technical understanding (including in particular economic and social) aspects and effects of transport activities and decisions

### **Course objective**

Preparing students to manage transport using quantitative tools (methods of optimization and decision support), allowing rational and effective management of the functioning of transport and logistics systems

#### **Course-related learning outcomes**

Knowledge:

1. knows advanced methods, techniques and tools used to solve complex engineering tasks and conduct research in a selected area of transport

2. has advanced and in-depth knowledge in the field of transport engineering, theoretical foundations, tools and means used to solve simple engineering problems

Skills:

1. can use analytical, simulation and experimental methods to formulate and solve engineering tasks and simple research problems

2. can assess the usefulness and the possibility of using new achievements (methods and tools) and new products of transport technology

Social competences:

1. understands the importance of using the latest knowledge in the field of transport engineering in solving research and practical problems

### Methods for verifying learning outcomes and assessment criteria

Learning outcomes presented above are verified as follows:

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### Programme content

The course will address decision-making problems and how to solve them. Decision-making problems typical of a transport or logistics company will be considered.

# **Course topics**

1. Definitions: decision problem, classification of decision problems, typical decision problems in transport and logistics.

2. The notion of the do-or-buy problem: Definitions and the essence of do-or-buy problems in transport / logistics enterprises (own or foreign logistics, own or foreign transport).

3. Determining the fleet composition: Definitions of the problem of determining the fleet composition in a transport / logistics company; the essence of the problem and its specificity; elements influencing the fleet composition in the enterprise.

4. Multicriteria decision aid: Definitions and the essence of multicriteria decision aid (MCDA), classifications of methods; rules for creating mathematical models; selection of MCDA methods; rules for creating the decision-maker's preferences; "buy" option - selection and evaluation of the carrier.

5. Vehicle routing problem – basic heuristics, dynamic VRP problem, similar problems (Chinese postman, team orienteering), the difference between the VRP problem and the problem of freight route selection in international shipping.

6. Knapsack problem, bin packing problem, container loading problem.

7. Fleet replacement planning.

8. Facility location problem in transport and logistics, facility network planning problem.

# **Teaching methods**

Lecturing, demonstrating, collaborating

### Bibliography

Basic

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 2. Hillier F., Lieberman G.: Introduction to Operations Research. McGraw Hill Publishing, New York 2002
3. Sikora W. (red.): Badania operacyjne. Polskie Wydawnictwo Ekonomiczne, Warszawa 2008 Additional

1. Malczewski J., Jaroszewicz J.: Podstawy analiz wielokryterialnych w systemach informacji geograficznej. Wyd. PW, Warszawa 2019

#### Breakdown of average student's workload

	Hours	ECTS
Total workload	90	4,00
Classes requiring direct contact with the teacher	45	2,00
Student's own work (literature studies, preparation for laboratory classes/ tutorials, preparation for tests/exam, project preparation)	45	2,00