Title of the course: Spatial and regional development  
Course ID: VE-GMT013  
Level of education: Erasmus  
Academic semester: Optional  
Professor’s name: Henrietta Nagy  
Academic title: PhD  
Hours per semester: 2 hours/week  
Credits: 4

Aims of the course

The aim of the course is to make the students familiar with spatial perspectives in policies and strategies. When developing countries, regions or smaller territorial units, area-specific objectives must be defined instead of global targets. During the course, students will be able to learn more about spatial approaches in policies, about the EU’s cohesion policy that serves the harmonious development of the regions. Students will be able to know more about the methodologies, indicators that can be used in assessing territorial inequalities. Students will also learn about the various funds of the EU allocated for spatial development.

Course outline

Endogenous development, bottom-up approaches, territorial inequalities, measuring territorial inequalities, macroeconomic indicators for spatial development purposes, NUTS system of the EU, regional policy of the EU, the relationship of regional/cohesion policy with the other common policies, regional development strategies of selected countries, EUROPE 2020 strategy, the changes of territorial approaches in the policies over the programming periods, socio-economic conditions of the EU regions

Practical works

Individual presentation about a selected region (its resources, development potentials, projects etc.)

Requirements and assessment

- Written exam
- Presentation by students

  Recommended topics for essay (if it needs)

Grades:

40% written exam, 60% individual presentation

Readings

- PPTs prepared by the professor
- https://www.euractiv.com/sections/regional-policy/