

# SUBJECT DATASHEET

# **Environmental Evaluation and Risk Management**

**BMEGT42A022** 

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# I. SUBJECT DESCRIPTION

# 1. SUBJECT DATA

#### **Subject name**

Environmental Evaluation and Risk Management

ID (subject code) BMEGT42A022

#### Type of subject

contact unit

| Course types and lesson | <u>1S</u> | Type of             |
|-------------------------|-----------|---------------------|
| Type                    | Lessons   | <u>assessment</u>   |
| Lecture                 | 2         | exam grade          |
| Practice                | 0         | Number of           |
| Laboratory              | 0         | <u>credits</u><br>3 |

## **Subject Coordinator**

Name Position Contact details

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#### Educational organisational unit for the subject

Department of Environmental Economics and Sustainability

#### **Subject website**

https://edu.gtk.bme.hu/course/view.php?id=359

#### Language of the subject

magyar - HU, angol - EN

#### Curricular role of the subject, recommended number of terms

Programme: **BSc in Environmental Engineering** Subject Role: **Compulsory for the specialisation** 

Recommended semester: 6

Programme: Elective subjects Subject Role: Elective Recommended semester: 0

### **Direct prerequisites**

Strong None
Weak None
Parallel None
Exclusion None

#### Validity of the Subject Description

Approved by the Faculty Board of Faculty of Economic and Social Sciences, Decree No: 580251/13/2023 registration number. Valid from: 29.03.2023.

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# 2. OBJECTIVES AND LEARNING OUTCOMES

#### **Objectives**

The aim of the course is to provide knowledge to students about the theoretical background, methods as well as Hungarian and international experiences of environmental valuation and the theoretical background, main fields and measures of environmental risk management.

#### **Academic results**

#### Knowledge

- 1. Knows the concept of Total Economic Value, the methods that are able to calculate it.
- 2. Knows the concept of weak and strong sustainability and their relationship with monetary environmental valuation.

#### Skills

- 1. to use the technical terms of environmental valuation correctly in Hungarian and English language.
- 2. to realise the necessity of a multidisciplinary approach in environmental valuation and risk management and able to apply it as a routine.
- 3. to realise the economic and social context of environmental risk, its embeddedness.
- 4. Has the necessary background knowledge in the field of environmental valuation for expert work and decision-making.

#### Attitude

- 1. Knowing the necessity of a multidisciplinary approach of environmental valuation and risk management, is open to cooperate with economic experts.
- 2. Knowing the continuous development of environmental valuation tries to follow the changes.
- 3. Knowing the most important elements of critics of environmental valuation methods and the limitations, is open to criticism.

#### Independence and responsibility

- 1. Knowing the social context of environmental risk management, takes responsibility for his expert decisions.
- 2. Knowing the involvement of other sciences in case of environmental valuation and risk management, is able to cooperate with economic and legal professionals.

## **Teaching methodology**

Presentations about the theoretical curriculum, case studies to demonstree the application of methods. Student presentation (optional) about a valuation or risk management case.

#### Materials supporting learning

- 1. Dr. Szlávik János (szerk.): Környezetgazdaságtan. 3. fejezet. (Csigéné Nagypál Noémi) Budapesti Műszaki és Gazdaságtudományi Egyetem. Typotex Kiadó, Budapest, 2007.
- 2. Marjainé Dr. Szerényi Zsuzsanna (szerk.): A természetvédelemben alkalmazható közgazdasági értékelési módszerek.
   Környezetvédelmi és Vízügyi Minisztérium, Budapest, 2005.
- 3. Guidelines for Environmental Risk Assessmentand Management. Green Leaves III
- https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidelines-for-environmental-risk-assessment-and-management-green-leaves-iii
- Ajánlott folyóiratok/recommended journals:
- a. Ecological Economics
- b. Land Economics
- c. Journal of Agricultural Resource Economics
- d. Journal of Environmental Economics and Management
- e. Journal of Environmental Planning and Management

# II. SUBJECT REQUIREMENTS

## TESTING AND ASSESSMENT OF LEARNING PERFORMANCE

#### **General Rules**

The assessment of the learning outcomes formulated in point 2.2. is based on 2 mid-term written performance measurements, (or one mid-term + a student presentation) or a written exam.

## Performance assessment methods

1. summative performance assessment: a complex, written way of evaluating the competence-type competence elements of the subject and

knowledge in the form of mid-term exams. The part of the learning materials on which the evaluation is based refers to the topics covered

in the previous lectures, the available working time is 45 minutes.

# Percentage of performance assessments, conducted during the study period, within the rating

• 1st summative performance assessment: 50

• 2nd summative performance assessment : 50

• total: 100

## Percentage of exam elements within the rating

• Written: 100

#### Conditions for obtaining a signature, validity of the signature

Issuing grades

| Excellent    | 91    |
|--------------|-------|
| Very good    | 85-90 |
| Good         | 76–84 |
| Satisfactory | 63–75 |
| Pass         | 50-62 |
| Fail         | 0-49  |

## Retake and late completion

The summative performance assessments can be retaken or corrected individually free of charge during the repeat period. In case of correction, the more favourable result for the student is taken into account.

#### Coursework required for the completion of the subject

| participation in contact lessons       | 28 |
|--|----|
| homework preparation                   | 0  |
| preparation for performance assessment | 30 |
| preparation for exam                   | 32 |
| total                                  | 90 |
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# III. COURSE CURRICULUM

## THEMATIC UNITS AND FURTHER DETAILS

#### **Topics covered during the term**

In order to achieve the learning outcomes set out in point 2.2, the subject consists of the following thematic blocks. In the syllabi of the courses announced in each semester, these topics are scheduled according to the calendar and other features.

- 1 Evaluation and monetary valuation methods. Environmental impact assessment and its limitations. Ecological footprint calculation
- 2 Advantages and areas of application of monetary valuation, WTP and WTA, Ecosystem services, Criticism of evaluation
- 3 Weak and strong sustainability and environmental assessment. Ex ante and ex post evaluation. The total economic value. Why special methods are needed
- 4 The social discount rate. Cost-benefit and cost-effectiveness analysis. Project evaluation.
- 5 Cost-based methods 1. Cost-based methods 2. Case studies
- 6 The declared preference methods 1. The travel cost method
- 7 The declared preference methods 2. The hedonic price method, the hedonic wage method
- 8 Cost-benefit analysis and externalities in the transport sector
- 9 The revealed preference methods 1. Preparation of a questionnaire, steps of conditional evaluation
- 10 Revealed preference methods 2. Case studies
- 11 Relationship between environmental assessment and risk management. Concept and types of risk

#### **Additional lecturers**

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