

Course Syllabus

Course Code	Course Title	ECTS Credits	
MBAN-801DE	Agricultural Policy	7.5	
Prerequisites	Department	Semester	
None	School of Business	Fall, Spring, Summer	
Type of Course	Field	Language of Instruction	
Elective	Agricultural Economics	English	
Level of Course	Lecturer(s)	Year of Study	
2 nd Cycle	Dr. Aggelopoulos Stamatis	1 st or 2 nd	
Mode of Delivery	Work Placement	Corequisites	
Distance Learning	N/A	None	

Course Objectives:

The main objectives of the course are to:

- An analysis of the measures, economic mechanisms and required implementation of the National and Common Agricultural Policy.
- Interpreting the implementation mechanism of each agricultural policy measure.
- Description and analysis of the regulatory framework of the CAP, with a focus on the operation of the food market, through the exploitation of agricultural policy tools and mechanisms.
- Interpretation and evaluation of all alternative policies in the field of agriculture.
- Interpretation and evaluation of the impact from the implementation of agricultural policy measures, through the application of economic theories.
- An analysis of the productivity and competitiveness of the agricultural sector, through economic tools and models.
- Viewing agricultural product and food trade policy issues, through the operation of International Organizations.



Learning Outcomes:

After completion of the course students are expected to be able to:

- Have knowledge of the meaning and content of agricultural policy, and know how to analyze its formulation mechanisms.
- Be aware of the legislation and regulatory framework of the Common Agricultural Policy, in the production and trade of agricultural products. Also, have knowledge of the changes and orientation of CAP measures.
- Describe and analyze the position of agriculture in the national and global economy, and its impact on social economy.
- Analyze the mechanisms of implementing the agricultural policy in each agricultural sector and, more specifically, on basic agricultural products. Moreover, analyze and evaluate the trading policy measures for agricultural products and food.
- Use various "tools" to monitor and be continuously updated about changes, developments and reviews of the CAP.
- Become familiarized with the feasibility of including agricultural holdings and enterprises in agricultural development programs, within the framework of the CAP.
- Apply and valorize each agricultural policy measure, as an agricultural enterprise executive, and as an agricultural development consultant in general, with the aim of improving the competitiveness of agricultural enterprises.
- Apply and valorize financing measures and programs, during the operational organization of agricultural and animal breeding structures.

Course Content:

- 1. Basic characteristics of the agricultural sector
- 2. Agricultural Policy-Agricultural Product Policy
- 3. Interventionism in the Agricultural sector
- 4. Agricultural Economic Development
- 5. Agricultural Development Programmes
- 6. EU Mechanisms in Agricultural Policy
- 7. Common Market Organization (CMO)
- 8. The Common Agricultural Policy on basic Agricultural Products
- 9. International trade mechanisms for agricultural products
- 10. Legislation
- 11. Impact of Agricultural Policy measures



Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:

Power point and articulate presentations, lectures, case studies and exercises.

Assessment Methods:

Projects, Final Exam

Required Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Handbook of Agricultural Economics	Bruce L. Gardner, Gordon C. Rausser	Elsevier,	2007	9603590061

Recommended Textbooks / Readings:

European Commission, (2004). General Division for Agriculture: The common agricultural policy-A policy evolving with times. Brussels.

European Commission, Directorate-General Agriculture and Rural Development, Directorate G. (2006) "Δconomic analysis and evaluation G.4 Evaluation of measures applicable to agriculture studies".

European Union, Directorate-General for Agriculture and Rural Development (2010)

"Agriculture in the European Union Statistical and Economic Information 2009". Final report for the "Update of Analysis of Prospects in the Scenar 2020 Study: Preparing for Change".