

COURSE: **AGRIFOOD ECONOMICS AND POLICY**

ACADEMIC YEAR: **2018-2019**

TYPE OF EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITY: **Characteristic**

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Language: Italian

ECTS: 9 (8 lessons; 1 laboratory practice)	n. of hours: (lessons e tutorials/practice) 64 lessons 16 laboratory practice	Campus: Potenza School: SAFE Program: Food Technology	Semester: I
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#### EDUCATIONAL GOALS

The course of AGRIFOOD ECONOMICS AND POLICY aims to provide students with the theoretical basis of micro and macro economics to understand the functioning of the food system and then focus on the institutional and operational aspects of agricultural and food markets. Gain in prices and the organization of the market knowledge on policies, with particular reference to some sectors, especially in light of the CAP. To understand the functioning of the management of a farm.

#### EXPECTED LEARNING OUTCOMES

Through the attendance of lectures and individual study of reference books available on the book market, at the Library of the University Interdepartmental (BIA) and the SAFE, the student acquires the theoretical tools to perceive the behavior of the consumer within the agro-food system. The study of supply and demand in order to understand the market and price formation. Knowledge of the policies of prices and the structure and dynamics of the markets and the organization of markets with particular reference to some sectors. theoretical and practical knowledge for the compilation of a corporate budget for expressing an opinion of investment convenience. Knowledge on the Common Agricultural Policy and subsequent reforms. The revision process of the Common Market Organisation

#### PRE-REQUIREMENTS

Mathematics knowledge

#### SYLLABUS

Introduction to micro and macro economics - Consumer theory - Theories of - Balance perfect market - Theory of Keynes - Market and agricultural production system - The demand and supply of food and agricultural products - The market and the formation of price - the price policies and the organization of the markets - the financial statements of a working farm with practical applications - agri-food system - the Common agricultural policy

#### TEACHING METHODS

The course consists of 64 hours of classroom lessons on all topics of the course and 16 hours of exercises. The exercise will consist in finding economic data directly from the farm in order to compile a final budget and a preventive proposing an investment. In addition, there is at least one study visit to agribusiness farm.

#### EVALUATION METHODS

##### MODALITÀ DI VERIFICA DELL'APPRENDIMENTO

The aim of the examination is to test the level of achievement of the previously mentioned educational goals.

The exam is divided into 2 parts:

or an intermediate written test consisting in the delivery of a written report with a description of a land and its economic balance company; to pass the test you must acquire the 18/30 vote. If evidence is insufficient, the student will repeat the test as an oral examination at the end of the course.

or at the end of the course, an oral exam on all subjects; to pass the test you must acquire the 18/30 vote

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The final grade is the sum of the two scores

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**TEXTBOOKS AND ON-LINE EDUCATIONAL MATERIAL**

Prima di ogni lezione verrà distribuito il materiale didattico, a cura del docente, riferito all'argomento da trattare in modo che lo studente possa integrare con propri appunti presi a lezione. Il materiale fornito sarà sufficiente al superamento della prova di esame. Gli studenti impossibilitati a seguire il corso possono consultare i seguenti testi:

ECONOMIA E POLITICA AGRARIA, L. Iaconi, R. Romiti di Edagricole

ECONOMIA DEL MERCATO AGRO-ALIMENTARE, F. messori, F. Ferretti di Edagricole

LO SVILUPPO DELLA POLITICA AGRICOLA COMUNITARIA, R. Fanfani, di Carocci ed.

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**INTERACTIONS WITH STUDENTS**

At the beginning of the course students will describe the objectives, programs and evaluation methods. Also be prepared the list and the data of the students attending the course and attendance will be taken each time only for statistical purposes. All course materials will be shared in a folder on Dropbox. All teacher / student communication will be in real time via Whatsapp.

Office hours: generally on Mondays and Tuesdays from 9:30 to 11:30 in the study of the teacher.

In addition to the weekly reception, the teacher will be available via e-mail.

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**EXAMINATION SESSIONS (FORECAST)<sup>1</sup>**

Examination every month except August, usually on Wednesday

06/02/2019 - 06/02/2019 – 10/04/2019 – 08/05/2019 – 12/06/2019 – 10/07/2019 – 11/09/2019 – 09/10/2019 – 11/11/2019 – 11/12/2019 – 15/01/2020 – 12/02/2020 – 11/03/2020

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**EVALUATION COMMITTEE**

president : prof.ssa NICASTRO M. GABRIELLA;

members: prof. MARIO COZZI, prof. SEVERINO ROMANO, dott. GENNARO VENTURA

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SEMINARS BY EXTERNAL EXPERTS      YES X      NO

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<sup>1</sup> Subject to possible changes: check the web site of the Teacher or the Department/School for updates.