**COURSE DESCRIPTION**

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| **University:** *University of Presov* | |
| **Faculty:** *Faculty of Arts​* | |
| **Code:** *IUKR / UDISE1 / 22*  *2PGD / DIPS1 / 22* | **Course title:** *Diploma Seminar I* |
| **Type, scope and method of educational activity:**  *1 seminar, 13 seminars per semester (combined)* | |
| **Number of credits:** *4* | |
| **Recommended semester:** *3rd semester, 2nd year of study* | |
| **Study grade:** 2 | |
| **Prerequisites:** | |
| **Conditions for passing the course:** continuous evaluation  *- Attendance at seminars (direct education) is mandatory. Student may have a maximum of 2 absences excused on the basis of a medical certificate. If student was absent, he or she will receive substitute tasks, respectively consultations. In case of unjustified non-participation or a large number of absences, the student will not be granted credits.*  *- To complete the course, the student is required to submit a report on consultations for a diploma thesis signed by a thesis supervisor.*  *- During the semester, the student is obliged to elaborate partial assignments - to write an abstract of the thesis, to elaborate a thesis structure, an introduction, to prepare a summary of a read book related to the topic of the diploma thesis.*  *- At the end of the semester, the student submits a semestral work, which will include: Thesis cover, title page, deposition, abstract in Slovak language, semi-finished introduction and theoretical background, and framework project of the empirical part of the thesis.*  *- For active participation in seminars, submission of a report on completed consultations and producing of partial tasks, the student will receive 30 points (minimum number of points for passing the course - 15 p.).*  *- For writing a semestral work, the student obtains 70 points (minimum number of points for passing the course - 35 p.).*  *- To complete the course, the student is required to receive 50 points.* | |
| **Learning outcomes:**  *Acquired knowledge:*  *Student:*  *- has deep knowledge on the diploma thesis issues as a qualification thesis, including cognition of the context and relations to the study program; understands its importance and the tasks associated with the proper completion of the 2nd grade of higher education;*  *- masters the principles of choosing the topic of the diploma thesis and knows the rules of consultation on the topic;*  *- knows the phases of diploma thesis' creation, can prepare a time plan;*  *- understands different types of information sources and masters the criteria of working with information, knows the rules of critical analysis of different sources of information, is able to verify the relevance of the information obtained;*  *- masters the work with specialized text at a professional level, can autonomously, independently, and creatively incorporate professional knowledge using their own author's contribution;*  *- knows and understands the theories that anchor the formulation of a scientific problem;*  *- masters the research methodology and its requisites - formulation of the scientific problem, aims, descriptive, relational, and causal issues, research sample, research methods, and stages of research work;*  *- masters the methods and procedures of scientific work that help to solve a given scientific problem;*  *- masters the ethics and technique of citation;*  *- knows the formal requirements of the diploma thesis, the content of individual parts (e.g. abstract, introduction, conclusion);*  *- knows the content and formal requirements of the diploma thesis project.*  *Acquired skills:*  *Student:*  *- is able to plan their own scientific activity and choose the right procedure for dealing with the diploma thesis;*  *- knows how to actively obtain information in the area in which he has chosen the topic of the diploma thesis, can sort and check its relevance, and can use it to solve a formulated scientific problem;*  *- is able to creatively solve practical problems that arise in solving a given problem and is able to overcome obstacles acquired by intellectual virtues;*  *- is able to critically assess the information obtained, its importance in solving a given problem with the relevant arguments;*  *- can contribute new research findings to the expansion of the field;*  *- is able to take full responsibility for the information he or she provides in the diploma thesis project.*  *Acquired competencies:*  *Student:*  *- is independent and autonomous in solving partial tasks related to the chosen topic of the diploma thesis;*  *- is able to coordinate the scientific procedures required to solve a scientific problem;*  *- can independently decide on the use of appropriate methods and procedures of scientific work with the ability to critically re-evaluate on the basis of changing conditions in the implementation of research;*  *- is able to obtain, sort, analyze and use the information obtained in solving the chosen problem with full moral responsibility and respect for copyright;*  *- is able to professionally communicate, present and defend obtained information and facts in front of experts and laymen;*  *- is able to plan his/her own scientific activity, acquire new scientific knowledge for the propagation of knowledge and his/her own professional growth, thus preparing him for further lifelong learning.* | |
| **Course content:**   1. *Diploma thesis as a part of the state exam, its role, basic characteristics, selection of diploma thesis topic, cooperation of graduate and diploma thesis supervisor.* 2. *Preparation of diploma thesis, time schedule.* 3. *Collection and processing of material, types of resources, methods of work.* 4. *Information research, bibliographic research, libraries.* 5. *Processing of survey results, study of literature, excerpting.* 6. *General principles of writing a thesis.* 7. *Diploma thesis structure.* *Abstract, introduction, theoretical basis of the work.* 8. *Working with text. Text, specialized text, fast reading of key ideas, reading of supplementary material, comprehension of text, critical thinking in reading.* 9. *Research, problem limitation, hypothesis development, determination of research methodology, research aims and tasks, research plan, implementation of research, recording of results, conclusions, illustrations, tables.* 10. *Formal arrangement of the diploma thesis. Formal editing of the page, numbering, division of the text.* 11. *Methods of indicating resources.* *Citation and its components, citation methods, basic schemes of bibliographic resources, general rules of bibliographic resources.* | |
| **Recommended literature:**  *DARÁK, M. a J. FERENCOVÁ, 2001. Metodológia pedagogického výskumu. Terminologické minimum. Prešov: ManaCon. ISBN80-89040-07-1.*  *DARÁK, M. a N. KRAJČOVÁ, 1995. Empirický výskum v pedagogike. Prešov: ManaCon. ISBN80-85668-22-X.*  *GONDA, V. 2012. Ako napísať a úspešne obhájiť diplomovú prácu. Bratislava: Iura Edition. ISBN 978-80-8078-472-0.*  *KAHN, N. B., 2001. Jak efektivně studovat a pracovat s informacemi. Praha: Portal. ISBN 80-7178-443-5.*  *KATUŠČÁK, D., 1998. Ako písať vysokoškolské a kvalifikačné práce. Bratislava. ISBN 80-85697-82-3.*  *Smernica o náležitostiach záverečných prác, ich bibliografickej registrácii, kontrole originality, uchovávaní a sprístupňovaní.[online]. Prešov: PU. [cit.10.12.2021]. Dostupné z: http://www.pulib.sk/web/data/pulib/subory/stranka/ezp-smernica-2021.pdf* | |
| **Language which is necessary to complete the course:** *Slovak language, Ukrainian language* | |
| **Notes:** *Compulsory course, the student chooses the course only once from the approbation from which he/she writes the diploma thesis.* | |
| **Course evaluation**  Total number of students evaluated: *credit test*   |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | A | B | C | D | E | FX | | a | b | c | d | e | f |   *The percentage of assessed students who obtained a grade of A, B, ... FX. The total of a, b, c, d, e, f is 100. If a student receives an FX in one year and a D grade the next time he/she enrolls in tne course, both grades will be taken into calculation.* | |
| **Lecturers:** *Associate professor, PaedDr. Ivana Cimermanová, PhD. – course guarantor* | |
| **Date of last change:** *January 2022* | |
| **Approved by:** *Prof. PaedDr. Lenka Pasternáková, PhD. MBA., Prof. PhDr. Mária Čižmárová, CSc.* | |