



Szegedi Tudományegyetem
Gazdaság- és Társadalomföldrajz Tanszék
University of Szeged, Hungary
Department of Economic and Social Geography

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL GEOGRAPHY

- Our courses are opened for all students from various study fields.
- Possibility of participation on several field trips.



Course list for 2013/2014 Spring Semester

- Hungary, land, people, regions (2 ECTS)
- Tourism geography in the ECE region and Hungary (2 ECTS)
- Social Geography of Hungary: Socio-spatial Inequalities (2 ECTS)
- Human geographical features of Szeged (2 ECTS)
- Population and Settlement Geography of Hungary (2 ECTS)
- Tourism development in Hungary (2 ECTS)
- Projectwork in Urban Geography (5 ECTS)
- Projectwork in Human Geography (5 ECTS)
- Projectwork in Tourism Geography (5 ECTS)
- Projectwork in Migration Studies (5 ECTS)

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Detailed course list for 2013/2014 Spring Semester

HUNGARY, LAND, PEOPLE, REGIONS

Teacher: Mr. Gyula NAGY

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Level: BSc, MSc, BA, MA

Termin: 1st and 2nd

Module Aims: The aim of the course is to introduce students basic natural geographical, economical, socio-cultural and historical facts about Hungary.

Module Subject:

1. **Geographical and geological introduction.** The lecture talks about Hungary's position in the world, physical geographical features, and geologic evolution.
2. **Natural and human resources in Hungary.** Describing the most important available resources in Hungary.
3. **Economic and social aspects of the World Wars in the Carpathian-Basin.** The lecture describes the effects of the Trianon-treaty. Deportation, mass population movements and atrocities against minorities.
4. **Time of the soviet and liberalized state socialism.** The newly established socio-economic system and it's improvements in nivellation.
5. **Transition in Hungary.** Economic and social outcomes, new connections to the global and regional economy.

The following lectures will give detailed information about physical geographical features, economic performance, touristic sights, cultural heritage, and social processes in the different regions in Hungary.

6. **Transdanubia region.** North and South and West Transdanubia, Lake Balaton.
7. **Alföld region.** North and South Alföld (Great Plain).
8. **North Hungarian mountain region.** Post-socialist industrial zones and recent deprivation.
9. **Central Hungary and Budapest.** The heart of the country. Global world city role and the biggest economic production in the country.

Number of credits: 2 ECTS

Assessment/Examination: Written or Oral exam on agreement



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PROJECT WORK IN URBAN GEOGRAPHY

Teacher: Mr. Gyula NAGY

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Level: BSc, MSc, BA, MA

Termin: 1st and 2nd

Module Aims: The course aim is to familiarize students with urban development issues from the perspective of urban geography.

Learning methods: The student independently studies the literature in a specified topic and gives presentation of the work in the end of the semester.

Number of credits: 5 ECTS

Written assignment and oral presentation

TOURISM GEOGRAPHY IN THE ECE REGION AND HUNGARY

Teacher: Ms. Zita MARTYIN

Contact: martyinz@geo.u-szeged.hu

Level: BSc, MSc, BA, MA

Termin: 1st and 2nd

Module Aims: The course discusses the social, cultural, environmental and economic aspects of travel and tourism. It shows the role of world tourism industry according to the statistics and its trends and opportunities. The students can gather information about the tourism in Central-Eastern Europe, especially about the most important Hungarian destinations and touristic products.

Module Subject:

1. **Global tourism industry I. – supply and demand.** An overview of global tourism supply and demand – the importance of tourism industry according to the statistics (UNWTO), the main tourism destinations and top outbound markets
2. **Global tourism industry II. – trends and opportunities.** Key trends in international tourism and opportunities for sustainable developments, creative solutions.
3. **Impacts of tourism – economic, environmental and social consequences.** The most significant (positive and negative) effects of tourism on local economy, environment, culture and society.
4. **The role of Europe in world tourism.** The characteristics of Europe as the most important tourism destination in the world, the main tourist attractions.
5. **Specialities in Eastern Central Europe (ECE) I - II.** The historical background of tourism in Central-Eastern Europe, local characteristics in the touristic supply
6. **Tourism in Hungary I-II. – touristic regions, main destinations.** The touristic regions in Hungary, the most visited destinations (eg.: the Lake Balaton, Budapest) The most important touristic products in Hungary (eg.: health tourism, MICE tourism, cultural tourism, active tourism)

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PROJECTWORK IN TOURISM GEOGRAPHY

Teacher: Ms. Zita MARTYIN

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Level: BSc, MSc, BA, MA

Termin: 1st and 2nd

Module Aims: The course aim is to familiarize students with touristic issues from the perspective of tourism geography.

Learning methods: The student independently studies the literature in a specified topic and gives presentation of the work in the end of the semester.

Number of credits: 5 ECTS

Written assignment and oral presentation

SOCIAL GEOGRAPHY OF HUNGARY: SOCIO-SPATIAL INEQUALITIES

Unit Leader: Mr. Szabolcs FABULA

Contact: Fabula.Szabolcs@geo.u-szeged.hu

Level: BSc, MSc, BA, MA

Termin: 1st and 2nd

Module Aims: This course provides a basic overview of the understandings, measures, scales and dimensions of social inequalities existing in Hungarian society, with a special attention to the spatial and regional aspects of these disparities.

Module Subject:

1. Key concepts: social difference and inequality, exclusion, deprivation, poverty (different approaches – international and Hungarian)
2. Hungarian context I: historical path (legacy of state-socialism, transition period after the change of regime in 1990, new capitalism, crisis/crises)
3. Hungarian context II: society (an overview) – groups, regional inequalities
4. Main dimensions of social inequalities I: income/social status, age
5. Main dimensions II: gender inequalities
6. Main dimensions III: ethnic dimension (“historical” and “new” minorities in Hungary, the Gypsy/Roma)
7. Main dimensions IV: migration issues (immigrants, asylum seekers and refugees)
8. Main dimensions V: health inequalities; people with disabilities
9. Wrap up the course, conclusions, other issues (e.g. exam)

Changes are possible due to students’ interest.

Number of credits: 2 ECTS

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PROJECTWORK IN HUMAN GEOGRAPHY

Unit leader: Mr. Szabolcs FABULA

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Level: BSc, MSc, BA, MA

Termin: 1st and 2nd

Module Aims: The course aim is to familiarize students with social issues from the perspective of human geography.

Learning methods: The student independently studies the literature in a specified topic and gives presentation of the work in the end of the semester.

Number of credits: 5 ECTS

Written assignment and oral presentation

HUMAN GEOGRAPHICAL FEATURES OF SZEGED

Unit Leader: Mr. Gábor HEGEDŰS

Contact: hegedusg@geo.u-szeged.hu

Level: BSc, MSc, BA, MA

Termin: 1st and 2nd

Module Aims: The aim of the course is to give an overview of general human geographical features and special literature and statistical sources on the subject. There will be field trips at the end of the semester, which helps to understand the topics of the course better.

Module Subject:

1. Szeged: general physical geographical features
2. Szeged: general historical geography
3. Szeged: general population geography
4. Szeged: general economic geography
5. Szeged: general political geography
6. New forms of residential segregation: the phenomenon of gated communities in Szeged
7. The functional-morphological zones of Szeged (1.)
8. The functional-morphological zones of Szeged (2.)
9. The functional-morphological zones of Szeged (3.)
10. Some socio-spatial conflicts in Szeged
11. Field trip (1., planned)
12. Field trip (2., planned)

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PROJECT WORK IN MIGRATION STUDIES

Teacher: Mr. Gábor LADOS

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Level: BSc, MSc, BA, MA

Termin: 1st and 2nd

Module Aims: The course aim is to familiarize students with migration issues from the perspective of rural-urban migration, international movements, illegal migration in Hungary and Europe

Learning methods: The student independently studies the literature in a specified topic and gives presentation of the work in the end of the semester.

Number of credits: 5 ECTS

Written assignment and oral presentation

POPULATION AND SETTLEMENT GEOGRAPHY OF HUNGARY

Teacher: Mr. Dr. Péter BAJMÓCY

Contact: bajmocy@geo.u-szeged.hu

Level: BSc, MSc, BA, MA

Termin: 1st and 2nd

Module Aims: The course aim is to familiarize students with the settlement evolution and population changes in Hungary

Learning methods: The student independently studies the literature in a specified topic and gives presentation of the work in the end of the semester.

Number of credits: 2 ECTS

Written assignment and oral presentation

TOURISM DEVELOPMENT IN HUNGARY

Teacher: Ms. Tünde JURAY

Contact: tjuray@geo.u-szeged.hu

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Module Aims: The course aim is to familiarize students with tourism development in Hungary

Learning methods: The student independently studies the literature in a specified topic and gives presentation of the work in the end of the semester.

Number of credits: 2 ECTS

Written assignment or oral presentation on agreement