

## COURSE OUTLINE

### (1) GENERAL

<b>SCHOOL</b>	SCHOOL OF SCIENCES		
<b>ACADEMIC UNIT</b>	DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS		
<b>LEVEL OF STUDIES</b>	UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM		
<b>COURSE CODE</b>		<b>SEMESTER</b>	<b>D</b>
<b>COURSE TITLE</b>	ORDINARY DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS I		
<b>INSTRUCTOR</b>	Konstantinos Housiadas		
<b>INDEPENDENT TEACHING ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>WEEKLY TEACHING HOURS</b>	<b>CREDITS</b>	
	6	9	
<b>COURSE TYPE</b>	General background		
<b>PREREQUISITE COURSES:</b>	NO		
<b>LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION and EXAMINATIONS:</b>	GREEK		
<b>IS THE COURSE OFFERED TO ERASMUS STUDENTS</b>	YES		
<b>COURSE WEBSITE (URL)</b>	<a href="http://www.math.aegean.gr/index.php/en/academics/undergraduate-programs">http://www.math.aegean.gr/index.php/en/academics/undergraduate-programs</a>		

### (2) LEARNING OUTCOMES

<b>Learning outcomes</b>
By completing this course, student should demonstrate competency in the following skills: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To understand and suitably apply the basic concepts of ordinary differential equations in solving initial value problems.</li> <li>• To categorize physical processes to the life or physical science they belong to (such a Mathematical Biology and Physics respectively) and also model them by using ordinary differential equations.</li> </ul>
<b>General Competences</b>
Working independently. Team working. Working in an interdisciplinary environment. Decision-making . Production of free, creative and inductive thinking.

### (3) SYLLABUS

First order equations: Special types (Exact, separable, linear, Bernoulli, Riccati, homogeneous, Clairaut, Lagrange); The notion of integrating factor; Fundamental theorems on the existence and uniqueness of solutions (Picard-Lindelöf, the notion of maximal interval of existence, Peano's theorem). Higher order linear equations: Existence and uniqueness of solutions. Homogeneous equations (superposition of solutions, linearly independent solutions, formulation of the general solution, Wronskians, Abel-Liouville theorem); Non-homogeneous equations (formulation of the general solution, d'Alembert's method on the reduction of order); Homogeneous equations with constant coefficients (characteristic polynomial, form of the general solution); Special solutions of non-homogeneous equations (method of undetermined coefficients, Lagrange's variation of parameters method); Euler-Cauchy equations. Introduction to linear systems: the method of eigenvalues-eigenvectors. Introduction on the analysis of scalar flows.	
<b>TEACHING MATERIAL DISTRIBUTION</b>	The teaching material of the course is uniformly distributed during the semester.

#### (4) TEACHING and LEARNING METHODS - EVALUATION

<b>DELIVERY</b>	Face-to-face lectures	
<b>USE OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communication with students via e-mail.</li> <li>• Potential case studies with suitable symbolic and numerical computations scientific software.</li> </ul>	
<b>TEACHING METHODS</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Semester workload</b>
	Lectures	52
	Tutorials	26
	Independent study	147
	Course total (25 per ECTS)	<b>225</b>
<b>COURSE COMMITMENTS</b>	Attending course and tutorial sessions is not obligatory.	
<b>STUDENT PERFORMANCE EVALUATION</b>	Student's performance is evaluated in Greek, by a written examination paper which includes short-answer questions and problem solving. Disabled students are evaluated by suitably structured examinations (pending on the disability of the student, e.g., oral exams, etc.).	

#### (5) ATTACHED BIBLIOGRAPHY

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. W. E. Boyce and R. DiPrima. <i>Elementary differential equations and boundary value problem</i>, 10<sup>th</sup> ed. Wiley 2012.</li> <li>2. J. C. Robinson. <i>An introduction to Ordinary Differential Equations</i>. Cambridge texts in Applied Mathematics. Cambridge University Press, 2004.</li> </ol> <p>- Related academic journals: Academic journals focused in the field of Differential equations, Mathematical Analysis, and Mathematical Physics.</p>
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