

# Course Specifications

Valid as from the academic year 2024-2025

# Organization Theory (F000855)

Course size (nominal values; actual values may depend on programme)

Credits 4.0 Study time 120 h

Course offerings and teaching methods in academic year 2024-2025

A (semester 2) English Gent independent work

lecture

# Lecturers in academic year 2024-2025

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Offered in the following programmes in 2024-2025	crdts	offering	
Bachelor of Science in Business Economics	4	Α	
Bachelor of Science in Economics	4	Α	
Master of Science in Teaching in Science and Technology(main subject Chemistry)	4	Α	
Master of Science in Teaching in Social Sciences(main subject Communication Science)	4	Α	
Master of Science in Chemistry(main subject (Bio)Organic and Polymer Chemistry)	4	Α	
Master of Science in Chemistry(main subject Analytical and Environmental Chemistry)	4	Α	
Master of Science in Communication Science(main subject Communication Management)	4	Α	
Master of Science in Chemistry(main subject Materials and Nano Chemistry)	4	Α	
Master of Science in Biochemistry and Biotechnology	4	Α	
Master of Science in Computer Science	4	Α	
Master of Science in Physics and Astronomy	4	Α	
Exchange programme in Economics and Business Administration	4	Α	
Exchange Programme in Political and Social Sciences	4	Α	
Linking Course Master of Science in Business Economics	4	Α	
Preparatory Course Master of Science in Business Economics	4	Α	
Preparatory Course Master of Science in Business Engineering	4	Α	

# Teaching languages

English

#### Keywords

organizational theory, organizational behavior, sustainability

# Position of the course

The overall objective of the course 'Organizational theory' is to enhance the understanding of organizations on three levels: organization, group and individual. This course also pays attention to how organizations can achieve sustainable performance by paying attention to well-being-processes and phenomena that take place at these three levels.

#### Contents

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#### Initial competences

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No particular knowledge required but introductory courses on economy, business administration, and work and organizational psychology provide a valuable foundation.

#### Final competences

- 1 The student gains insight in 'Organizational theory' and 'Organizational Behavior' as a field of study
- 2 The student is able to reflect on organizational problems and events by making use of the knowledge and insights mentioned above.
- 3 The student is capable of applying theories to specific organisational behavior cases.
- 4 Having an understanding in the management of organizations and the developments in the

#### Conditions for credit contract

Access to this course unit via a credit contract is unrestricted: the student takes into consideration the conditions mentioned in 'Starting Competences'

#### Conditions for exam contract

Access to this course unit via an exam contract is unrestricted

# Teaching methods

Lecture, Independent work

#### Extra information on the teaching methods

Ex cathedra (on campus and online) to teach the theoreties and approaches, mixed with examples, cases, video, short exercises with tests, reading assignments,...to learn to apply the theory and to analyze organizational issues.

#### Study material

Type: Handbook

Name: Making organisations Work

Indicative price: € 46

Optional: no Language : English

Author: Decramer, A., & Kozusznik, G.

ISBN : 978-9-46393-806-8 Oldest Usable Edition : 2023 Online Available : No

Available in the Library: Yes

Available through Student Association: Yes

# Type: Slides

Name: Organization Theory sessions Indicative price: Free or paid by faculty

Optional: no Language : English Available on Ufora : Yes

# Type: Audiovisual Material

Name: Knowlegde pills

Indicative price: Free or paid by faculty

Optional: no Language : English Available on Ufora : Yes

#### References

#### Course content-related study coaching

Students are supported through the online platform by providing the powerpoint presentations and illustrations used during the sessions. Illustrations of exam questions are provided. The professor is always available for questions during the sessions.

#### **Assessment moments**

end-of-term assessment

# Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the first examination period

Written assessment with multiple-choice questions, Written assessment with open-ended questions

#### Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the second examination period

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Written assessment with multiple-choice questions, Written assessment with open-ended questions

#### Examination methods in case of permanent assessment

# Possibilities of retake in case of permanent assessment

not applicable

#### Extra information on the examination methods

Written examination to evaluate the knowledge of and critical insight in the curriculum of the course.

When the student obtains less than 10/20 for the multiple-choice part of the written exam, he/she can no longer pass the course unit as a whole. If the total score does turn out to be a mark of ten or more out of twenty, this is reduced to the highest fail mark (9/20).

#### Calculation of the examination mark

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