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Detailed Course Syllabus

Academic year:

2024/2025

Semester:

Winter semester

Study Program:

Psihologija (R) (elective)
Povijest (R) (elective)
Sestrinstvo (R) (elective)
Sestrinstvo (I) (elective)

Year of study:

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I. BASIC COURSE INFORMATION

Name: Psychology of Human-Animal Bond**Abbreviation:** IZBD240**ECTS:** 4**Code:** 249422**Prerequisites:** No*Total Course Workload***Teaching Mode****Total Hours**

Lecture

30

Seminar

15

Class Time and Place: HKS - according to the published schedule

II. TEACHING STAFF

*Course Holder***Name and Surname:** Brkljačić Tihana**Academic Degree:****Professional Title:** naslovni redoviti profesor**Contact E-mail:**tihana.brkljajac@unicath.hr**Telephone:****Office Hours:** According to the published schedule*Course Assistant*

III. DETAILED COURSE INFORMATION

Teaching Language: Hrvatski**Course Description***Textbooks and Materials***Required****Supplementary**

<i>Examination and Grading</i>		
To Be Passed DA	Exclusively Continuous Assessment NE	Included in Average Grade DA
Prerequisites to Obtain Signature and Take Final Exam		
Examination Manner		
Grading Manner		
Detailed Overview of Grading within ECTS		
IV. WEEKLY CLASS SCHEDULE		
<i>[Predavanja]</i>		
#	Topic	
1	History of Human Animal Bond	
2	Psychology Behind Keeping Pets	
3	Human attachment to a pet, human-animal bond, Anthropomorphism of a pet	
4	Psychological and Physical Well-being of pet owners	
5	Value of pets through human lifespan (childhood, adolescence, adulthood and parenthood, old/er age)	
6	Importance of a pet in personal and global crises	
7	Providing psychological training and support for professionals (e.g. pet trainers, veterinarians, police officers)	
8	Animal welfare: pet abuse, neglect, the ethics of human relationships with (companion) animals	
9	Animal cognition	
10	Animal Emotions	
<i>[Seminari]</i>		
#	Topic	
1	Acquiring a pet (making decision, choosing a pet, adapting to a life with a pet)	
2	Aging, illness and death of a pet (dealing with pet's illness and pet's death)	
3	Work and therapeutic animals (care for an animal and her owner)	
4	Training a pet, disorders in pet's behavior, prevention, recognition and dealing with abnormal pet behavior	
5	Communication with pet's owners (aimed to psychologists, veterinarians)	