Study Program: GEOGRAPHY

Type and level of studies: Bachelor studies

Course name: FINAL THESIS

Attendance Prerequisites: All exams passed

ECTS:6

Final thesis aims:

Upon passing all exams, the student may begin the process of preparing his/her final thesis- an independent research work allowing the student to familiarize with research methodology in the field of geography.

Final thesis outcomes:

Upon graduation, a student is competent to understand the tasks within his or her job and is able to reasonably consider and elaborate solutions to problems. He/she is also competent to formulate and/or choose among the proposed solutions to problems, as well as to exchange ideas and information with both experts and non-experts, and to assume teamwork responsibilities.

General overview:

Having passed all exams, the student prepares and takes the final exam. During his/her final year of study, the student is assigned a final thesis topic which is formulated through consultation with the teacher. The student must write and defend the thesis. The topics assigned are relevant for the students' field of study. The thesis is presented in front of at least three faculty members or researchers with scientific titles. The thesis topics are chosen within the domain of vocational subjects and are approved by the department beforehand. The thesis topics should contain: a theoretical and expert treatment of a problem, or a specific project task (which should not be too extensive). The paper should in some way represent a research. The literature and materials used must be chosen among those already available and must already be present in the existing literature. The problem must be dealt with on a more advanced level than that of the study programme.

The final thesis must have:

- 1. Title, candidate's name, mentor's name;
- 2. Table of contents:
- 3. Introduction;
- 4. Main part;
- 5. Materials and methods.;
- 6. Results and discussion;
- 7. Conclusion:
- 8. Abstract in Serbian and in a foreign language;
- 9. Literature.

The thesis is written using a computer, on an A4 paper format (one-sided print). The final thesis (for Bachelor studies) is handed in in 4 copies. It is presented before a commission (chair, mentor and member). The presention date is set within 15 days of thesis submission, and is posted via faculty's bulletin board, together with the names of commission members. The submitted draft is reviewed by the commission. If the review is positive, the candidate is allowed to defend it orally. Oral defense is public and is done before the commission and guests. When defending the thesis, the candidate presents the theoretical part of the paper: the topic, aim, methods, results, significance and the potential practical applications. The candidate then answers the questions of the commission and the guests. Oral defense should last up to 45 minutes. When the defense is over, the commission evaluate the defense, the thesis and form a final grade, which is then reported to the candidate. The process of writing and presenting master's and doctor's these should be in accordance with the appropriate general acts.

Methods

For the purpose of thesis defence, standard methods of presentation should be used.

Assessment (maximum 100 points)

Maximum length is 1 page in A4

If the final thesis exists, it must be included in the course book.