



## COURSE OUTLINE

### (1) GENERAL

SCHOOL	School of Technology		
ACADEMIC UNIT	Department of Environmental Sciences		
LEVEL OF STUDIES	Undergraduate		
COURSE CODE	AE808	SEMESTER	8th
COURSE TITLE	ANAEROBIC PROCESSES – ENVIRONMENTAL and ENERGY APPLICATIONS		
INDEPENDENT TEACHING ACTIVITIES		WEEKLY TEACHING HOURS	CREDITS
Teaching Hours		3	3
COURSE TYPE	Specialised general knowledge		
PREREQUISITE COURSES	None		
LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION and EXAMINATIONS	Greek		
IS THE COURSE OFFERED TO ERASMUS STUDENTS	No		
COURSE WEBSITE (URL)	<a href="https://eclass.uth.gr/courses/ENV_U_165/">https://eclass.uth.gr/courses/ENV_U_165/</a>		

### (2) LEARNING OUTCOMES

<b>Learning outcomes</b>
The aim of the course is to reinforce students' knowledge on anaerobic biological processes and their use in environmental protection and restoration, and bioenergy production.
<b>General Competences</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Search for, analysis and synthesis of data and information, with the use of the necessary technology</li><li>• Decision-making</li><li>• Working independently</li><li>• Team work</li><li>• Respect for the natural environment</li><li>• Criticism and self-criticism</li><li>• Production of free, creative and inductive thinking</li></ul>

### (3) SYLLABUS

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Aerobic and anaerobic processes – basic characteristics.</li><li>• Kinetics and microbiology of anaerobic digestion, factors affecting kinetics: pH, ammonia, temperature, trace elements, etc.</li><li>• Applications in environmental protection: wastewater treatment, sludge treatment, denitrification, reduction of pathogenic microorganisms and odours.</li><li>• Types and characteristics of anaerobic bioreactors (digestors), anaerobic digestion for the co-production of heat and electricity (Biomethane), substrates and kinetics (stages) of anaerobic digestion, biofertilizer production.</li><li>• Hydrogen sulphide capture techniques, alcohol production, mixed processes (enzymatic and thermophilic anaerobic processes) for chemical production of raw materials from cellulosic by-products and waste.</li></ul>
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### (4) TEACHING and LEARNING METHODS – EVALUATION

<b>DELIVERY</b>	Face-to-face
<b>USE OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Use of PowerPoint slides</li><li>• View material in video</li><li>• Communication with students via e-mail</li><li>• Use of asynchronous distance learning (e-class)</li></ul>

TEACHING METHODS	Activity	Semester workload
	Lectures	39
	Study and analysis of bibliography	36
	<b>Course total (25 hours workload per credit)</b>	<b>75</b>
<b>STUDENT PERFORMANCE EVALUATION</b>	<p>Students' performance is evaluated in the Greek language. The final grade is determined by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A written exam (at the end of the semester) that contributes 70% to the final grade, applying one or more of the following evaluation methods: Multiple choice questions, short-answer questions, problem solving.</li> <li>• The preparation and delivery of an individual written assignment (during the semester) that contributes 30% to the final grade.</li> </ul> <p><b>Final Grade = 70% Exam Grade + 30% Assignment Grade</b></p>	

### (5) ATTACHED BIBLIOGRAPHY

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EPA (2015) 'Anaerobic digestion and its applications', <a href="https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2016-07/documents/ad_and_applications-final_0.pdf">https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2016-07/documents/ad_and_applications-final_0.pdf</a></li> <li>• Sioulas, K., Al Seadi, T., Rutz, D., Prassl, H., Köttner, M., Finsterwalder, T., Volk, S., Janssen, R. (2009) <i>Biogas Handbook</i>. Center for Renewable Energy Sources (CRES), <a href="http://www.lemvigbiogas.com/BiogasHandbookGR.pdf">www.lemvigbiogas.com/BiogasHandbookGR.pdf</a>. (in Greek)</li> </ul>
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