COURSE OUTLINE

(1) GENERAL

SCHOOL	HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCES			
ACADEMIC UNIT	PHILOLOGY			
LEVEL OF STUDIES	UNDERGRADUATE			
COURSE CODE	PHL_B811 SEMESTER 8 th (spring semester)			
COURSE TITLE	GENDER IDENTITIES: ASPECTS OF WOMAN WORLD IN BYZANTINE LITERATURE			
INDEPENDENT TEACHING ACTIVITIES if credits are awarded for separate components of the course, e.g. lectures, laboratory exercises, etc. If the credits are awarded for the whole of the course, give the weekly teaching hours and the total credits			WEEKLY TEACHING HOURS	CREDITS
Lectures		3 (13 weeks)	1,6	
Weekly Preparation			2 (13 weeks)	1
Autonomous mini-project and/or Preparation for the written exams			4,6 (13 weeks)	2,4
Add rows if necessary. The organisation of teaching and the teaching		TOTAL:	5	
methods used are described in detail at (d).		9.6 (13 weeks)		
COURSE TYPE general background, special background, specialised general knowledge, skills development PREREQUISITE COURSES:	Field of Science	e		
LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION and EXAMINATIONS: IS THE COURSE OFFERED TO	Greek Yes			
ERASMUS STUDENTS COURSE WEBSITE (URL)	https://eclass.upatras.gr/courses/LIT2027/			

(2) LEARNING OUTCOMES

Learning outcomes

The course learning outcomes, specific knowledge, skills and competences of an appropriate level, which the students will acquire with the successful completion of the course are described.

Consult Appendix A

- Description of the level of learning outcomes for each qualifications cycle, according to the Qualifications Framework of the European Higher Education Area
- Descriptors for Levels 6, 7 & 8 of the European Qualifications Framework for Lifelong Learning and Appendix B
- Guidelines for writing Learning Outcomes

At the end of this course the student should be able to:

- 1. Recognize significant women of the Byzantine era.
- 2. Know and evaluate critically the differences between the women's world in comparison to the men's one.
- 3. Realize the presence of women in different literary genres and periods.
- 4. Demonstrate familiarity with editorial problems.
- 5. Know the main bibliography and web sites regarding the Byzantine Philology and more specifically the literature of the middle Byzantine period.
- 6. Ability to translate Byzantine texts into Modern Greek.

General Competences

Taking into consideration the general competences that the degree-holder must acquire (as these appear in the Diploma Supplement and appear below), at which of the following does the course aim?

Search for, analysis and synthesis of data and information, Project planning and management with the use of the necessary technology Adapting to new situations

Respect for difference and multiculturalism Respect for the natural environment

Showing social, professional and ethical responsibility and Decision-making

Working independently Team work

Working in an international environment
Working in an interdisciplinary environment
Production of new research ideas

sensitivity to gender issues Criticism and self-criticism

Production of free, creative and inductive thinking

Others...

- 1. Ability to understand the basic techniques of data analysis and composition by using specialised software
- 2. Ability to adjust to different circumstances
- 3. Ability to work independently
- 4. Ability to work with others

(3) SYLLABUS

This course aims at revealing the different aspects of women's world (education, scholarship, marriage alliances, marriage life, motherhood, monk life etc.) in Byzantium based on the knowledge of particular cases of women from all over the Byzantine era. In this framework students selected passages from various early, middle and late Byzantine texts will be presented.

(4) TEACHING and LEARNING METHODS - EVALUATION

DELIVERY Face-to-face, Distance learning, etc.	Direct (face to face).
USE OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY Use of ICT in teaching, laboratory education, communication with students	Specialized software in class. Support by the e-class platform.

TEACHING METHODS

The manner and methods of teaching are described in detail.

Lectures, seminars, laboratory practice, fieldwork, study and analysis of bibliography, tutorials, placements, clinical practice, art workshop, interactive teaching, educational visits, project, essay writing, artistic creativity, etc.

The student's study hours for each learning activity are given as well as the hours of non-directed study according to the principles of the FCTS

Activity	Semester workload
Lectures	39
Weekly Preparation	26
Autonomous study	60
Total work load	125 h

STUDENT PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Description of the evaluation procedure

Language of evaluation, methods of evaluation, summative or conclusive, multiple choice questionnaires, short-answer questions, openended questions, problem solving, written work, essay/report, oral examination, public presentation, laboratory work, clinical examination of patient, art interpretation, other

Specifically-defined evaluation criteria are given, and if and where they are accessible to students.

Written final examination in Greek with ranking difficulty, on the issues and subjects presented during the courses

In case of autonomous assignment (optional), its mark is added to the final examination mark (10%), only when the student secures the minimum mark of 5.

These criteria are known to the students in class and via eclass.

(5) BIBLIOGRAPHY

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