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## COURSE DESCRIPTION

### 1. Information on the program

1.1. Higher Education Institution	University of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary-Medicine Cluj-Napoca
1.2. Faculty	Food Science and Technology
1.3. Department	Food Science
1.4. Study field	Food Engineering
1.5. Level field <sup>1)</sup>	Bachelor
1.6. Specialization/ Study Program	Control and expertise of food products / CEPA
1.7. Teaching Form	Regular studies

### 2. Information on the discipline

2.1. Name of the course	Food adulteration and authentication 2							
2.2. Course leader	Lecturer PhD Anca Corina Fărcaș							
2.3. Coordinator of laboratory activity	Lecturer PhD Anca Corina Fărcaș							
2.4. Year of study	III	2.5. Semester	VI	2.6. Type of evaluation	Summative	2.7. Course regime	Content <sup>2</sup>	DS
							Level of compulsory <sup>3</sup>	DI

### 3. Total estimated time (teaching hours per semester)

3.1. Number of hours/week – frequency form	4	of which : 3.2. course	2	3.3. seminary/ laboratory/ project	2
3.4. Total hours in the curricula	56	of which: 3.5.course	28	3.6.seminary/laboratory	28
Distribution of time					Hours
3.4.1. Study based on handbook, notes, bibliography					15
3.4.2. Extra documentation in the library, on specific electronic platforms and on field					14
3.4.3. Preparation of seminars/ laboratories/ projects, themes, papers, portfolios and essays					5
3.4.4.Tutorial					5
3.4.5. Examination					3
3.4.6. Other activities					2
3.7. Total hours of individual study	44				
3.8. Total hours per semester	100				
3.9. Number of ECTS <sup>4</sup>	4				

### 4. Pre-conditions (if applicable)

4.1. of curriculum	Physical and colloidal chemistry, Biochemistry, Food chemistry
4.2. of competences	Identification, description and appropriate use of specific concepts of food science and food safety

### 5. Conditions (if applicable)

5.1. of course development	Projector, ppt presentation
5.2. of seminary/laboratory/ project development	Laboratory with appropriate analytical equipment, glassware, consumables

## 6. Specific acquired competences

Professional competences	<p>C4.1. Interpretation of the legislation in the field of the food industry, for the strict observance of the principles and regulations in force regarding the authentication of food products</p> <p>C1.2. Explanation and interpretation of concepts, processes, models and methods in food science, using basic knowledge of the composition, structure, properties and transformations of food components and their interaction with other systems throughout the agri-food chain</p> <p>C1.3. Application of basic principles and methods in food science to address food authenticity issues, including those related to food safety</p>
Transversal competences	<p>CT1 Applying strategies of perseverance, rigor, efficiency and responsibility in work, punctuality and taking responsibility for the results of personal activity, creativity, common sense, analytical and critical thinking, problem solving, etc., based on the principles, norms and values of the code of professional ethics in the food field.</p> <p>CT3 Efficient use of various learning paths and techniques - training for the acquisition of bibliographic and electronic database information both in Romanian and in an international language, as well as assessing the need and usefulness of extrinsic and intrinsic motivations of continuing education.</p>

## 7. Subject objectives (as a result of the specific acquired competences)

7.1. Subject general objectives	Rationalizing new trends for authentication of foodstuffs and in the analytical techniques used for their analysis
7.2. Specific objectives	<p>The European legislative framework for authentication of foodstuffs</p> <p>Identification of the marker compound using in authentication of foodstuffs (geographical origin, botanical origin, species/variety, the technology for obtaining, age)</p> <p>Advanced analytical techniques for composition of foodstuffs</p>

## 8. Contents

<b>8.1.COURSE</b> <b>Number of hours – 28</b> Authentication of milk and milk products and methods for identifying counterfeits Authentication of meat and meat products and methods of identifying counterfeits Counterfeiting of food products - case studies Authentication of bio / eco products Advanced techniques for identifying counterfeits. Case studies Traceability in the food chain- legislative framework, system implementation, RASFF PDO, PGI, TSG products – legislations and criteria Trends in authenticity of foodstuffs	Methods of teaching  Lecture, heuristic conversation, debate, algorithmic, case study, directed observation  Lecture, heuristic conversation, debate, algorithmic, case study, directed observation	Notes (1 lecture = 2 hours)  1 lecture 2 lectures 2 lectures 2 lectures 2 lectures 2 lecture 2 lectures 1 lecture
<b>8.2. PRACTICAL WORK</b> <b>Number of hours – 28</b> Authentication of honey bees. Determination of hydroxymethylfurfural in honey - EC 110/2001 Analysis and identification of honey adulterated with substances which corrects consistency. Identification of heat-treated honey Detection of milk and dairy products adulterations Authentication of fruit juices. Identification of synthetic dyes Case study on the authentication of eco / bio products Classical and modern methods of essential oils	Conversation, argumentation, debate  Debate, algorithmic, case study, heuristic conversation  Learning by discovery, debate, case study, conversation, argumentation	1 lab work (2 hours / work)  1 1 1 2 1 2



<p>extraction – Extraction of essential oils from various aromatic or medicinal plants (hydrodistillation)</p> <p>Authentication of essential oils from various aromatic or medicinal plants (gas-chromatography)</p> <p>PDO, PGI, TSG products – Case study</p> <p>Methods of falsifications of plant and animal food products - case studies (eg labeling)</p> <p>Knowledge verification.</p>		<p>1</p> <p>2</p> <p>2</p> <p>1</p>
<p><i>Compulsory Bibliography:</i></p> <p>1. Bulancea, M., Răpeanu, G., <i>Autentificarea și identificarea falsificărilor produselor alimentare</i>, 2009, Ed. Didactică și Pedagogică, București.</p>		
<p><i>Facultative Bibliography:</i></p> <p>1. Lees, M., Food authenticity and traceability, 2009, CRC Press, Washington, DC</p> <p>2. Răpeanu, G., Controlul falsificărilor produselor alimentare, 2010, Ed. Didactică și Pedagogică, București</p> <p>3. Da-Wen Sun (ed.), Moderns Techniques for Food Authentication, 2008, Academic Press</p>		

**9. Correlations between the subject against the expectations of the epistemic community representatives, of the professional associations and employers' representatives in the domain**

<p>Course content is congruent with the applications of professional national specific companies.</p> <p>In order to identify ways of modernization and continuous improvement of teaching and course content with the current issues and practical problems, teachers attend the different conferences/workshops/seminars/round tables, where they meet with specialists from the private sector of food industry and with teachers from other higher education institutions in the country. Meetings aimed identifying the needs and expectations of employers in the field and to coordinate the curricula with similar programs in other higher education institutions.</p>
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**10. Evaluation**

Type of activity	10.1. Evaluation criteria	10.2. Evaluation methods	10.3. Percent of the final grade
<b>10.4. Course</b>	<p>Application logic, consistency and correct concepts complaints</p> <p>Knowledge of criteria used in food authentication</p>	<p>Continuous assessment (Evaluation of the answers given to the topics on the exam)</p>	65%
<b>10.5. Seminary/Laboratory</b>	<p>Ability to perform physico-chemical analyzes and interpreting appropriate the result obtained</p>	<p>1 continuous assessment (Practical assessment of professional skills)</p>	35%

**10.6. Minimal standard of performance**

Solving a concrete problem / case study regarding the authentication / falsification of food products including the argumentation of the applied methods, techniques, procedures and / or instruments.

Carrying out an individual project by efficiently using relevant and current documentation sources and resources (including internet, databases, online courses, etc.).

Obtaining the pass mark at the knowledge verification at the end of the laboratory works is a condition of graduation

<sup>1</sup> Level of study- to be chosen one of the following - Bachelor/Post graduate/Doctoral

<sup>2</sup> Course regime (content) – for bachelor level it will be chosen one of the following - **DF** (fundamental subject), **DD** (subject in the domain), **DS** (specific subject), **DC** (complementary subject).

<sup>3</sup> Course regime (compulsory level) - to be chosen one of the following - **DI** (compulsory subject), **DO** (optional subject), **DFac** (facultative subject)

<sup>4</sup> One ECTS is equivalent with 25-30 de hours of study (didactical and individual study).



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