

Rural Development Administration

The study program aim is to deepen and broaden the knowledge needed for research and professional activities within the system of rural development administration institutions, to develop strategic and holistic thinking and special skills necessary for the integrated management of qualitative and quantitative changes in rural areas and institutional activities. The need for study programme is supposed by interaction of political and administrative changes in rural development; global social, economic, technological, cultural transformations and climate change affecting local decisions; constantly growing complexity of public organizations decisions and environmental changes.

Graduates of this study programme have career possibilities in the system of public administration of rural development: public administration of agricultural and rural development, self-government and consulting institutions and agencies, non-governmental organizations, research institutions, also to conduct scientific and applied research in various fields of rural and regional development. Graduates have opportunity to continue studies in post-graduate (doctoral) level and to acquire doctor of social sciences degree.

The outcomes of study programme

- Is able to interpret, analyse, critically evaluate the system of agricultural and rural development policy, theories or concepts of public management, relations between public policy strategies, programs and implementation plans
- Knows the methodology for evaluating the effectiveness and efficiency of agricultural and rural development strategies, programs and projects and is able to apply it creatively in a professional way contributing to the improvement of the public policy process and the delivery of public services.
- Is able to identify, differentiate and evaluate the results and consequences of rural development policy, to contribute to the prioritization, policy formulation and evaluation of agricultural and rural development policy through coherent planning, coordination and control of organizational processes.
- Is able to analyse, critically evaluate, develop new rural development management tools, set priorities for strategic management of rural development, formulate goals, objectives and tools, using managerial innovations to mobilize resources to implement changes in rural institutions.
- Is able to identify a scientific or practical problem, develop a methodology to solve it and conduct empirical research, professionally apply and combine quantitative and qualitative research methods, in rural development management analysis, evaluation, decision-making processes.
- Is able to collect, to make detailed analysis of information, use it consistently and reasonably to make innovative rural management decisions in a dynamic and highly uncertain environment, providing advice to policy makers and managers, and in collaboration with various stakeholders.
- Is able to recognize and take responsibility for one's decisions and actions, reconcile private and public interests without seeking personal gain; to evaluate the results and consequences of public policy and to make innovative decisions in a fair and impartial manner towards the citizens.
- Is able to use research knowledge, carry out research in communication and collaboration with citizens or their groups, rural development actors.
- Is able to take leading positions, manage, motivate, and work in multi-generational and multicultural teams by cooperating with citizens or groups of citizens, rural development actors in a flexible and creative manner.
- Is able to fully inform and advise rural development actors, involve citizens, experts, non-governmental organizations in the management of strategic development of rural areas through selecting innovative methods to their participation.

Title of the courses:

Scientific Research Methodology, Public Management Decisions Modelling, Theories of Public Administration, Development of Regional Competitiveness, Analysis of Agriculture and Rural Development Policy, Management of Human Resources, Strategic Management of Rural Development, Applied Research 1, Sustainable management of the public projects, Scientific Research Work 1, Public Administration Research Methods, Administrative Law, Administration Information Systems, Place marketing, Welfare Economics and Policy, Management of Institutional Changes, Agriculture and Food Law, Theories and Methods of Consulting, Management of Public Finance, Applied Research 2, Scientific Research Work 2, Final Work of Master Studies.

Faculty Agriculture Academy

Group of Fields of Study Business and Public Administration (L)

Lenght of Programme 2 years

ECTS credits 120

Name of Qualification Master of Public Administration
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