

ECOLOGICAL TOURISM





TABLE 1

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1	Course Title	Ecological tourism		
2	Course	Themes and types of activities:		
	Structure	1. The main point of eco-tourism as a priority		
		direction of sustainable development in the region		
		(lecture).		
		2. Geo-ecological aspects of tourist industry		
		impact on the environment (lecture).		
		3. Current situation and evaluation of the		
		potential of eco-tourism: key trends and		
		development issues (lecture, seminar).		
		4. Organizational basis of service and quality in		
		eco-tourism (lecture, seminar).		
		5. Rural green tourism as a promising direction		
		to improve the attractiveness of territories and		
		self-employment of the rural population (lecture, seminar).		
		6. Preservation of ethnic and cultural traditions		
		of Ukrainian people by means of the development of rural green tourism (lecture)		
		7. The objects of nature reserve fund in the		
		system of ecological tourist travels (lecture).		
		8.Eco-tourism as a basis in the education and		
		formation of careful attitude to the environment		
		among the younger generation (lecture).		
		9. Study and application of perspective foreign		
		experience in the formation of ecological		
		responsibility and the involvement of youth in		
		environmental activities (lecture, seminar).		
		10. Use of information technology in marketing		
		strategies of eco-tourism product (lecture,		
		seminar).		
3	Short	The course focuses on the synthesis of		
	description of	theoretical, philosophical and practical		
	the course	foundations of social ecological importance in all		
		spheres of society's life, including recreational		
		activities associated with a change in attitude		
		towards the environment, changing patterns of		



		natural resources using and the development of
		eco-tourism, promoting the natural and cultural
		heritage protection, as well as social and economic
		development of society. Eco-tourism is considered
		as a journey that not only satisfies the desire to
		communicate with nature, but it makes the
		potential of tourism to serve for the benefit of
		nature protection and promotes environmental
		education and general cultural level of tourists.
		The fundamental basis of the course is eco-
		tourism as a local idea of creating a balance
		between the economic benefits of recreation in
		nature, and environmental safety of the
		recreational areas in the global idea of preserving
		the environment of the planet and life on it.
		In the study of this course, students will learn
		the basic principles of true eco-tourism, they will
		become familiar with geo-ecological methods of
		assessment of recreational areas' state, as well as
		forms of work with clients of tourism enterprises
		that contribute to the formation of social and
		psychological attitudes to implement high
4	D	environmental standards of attitude to nature.
4	Requirements	Special skills and knowledge of didactics-
5	for teacher Teacher -	methodology subject; teaching experience
9	Course	Associate Professor Vitaly Sharko
	Instructor	
6	Institution /	Kherson State University, Faculty of Natural
0	Department	Sciences, Human Health and Tourism / Tourism
	Depai unient	Department
7	Target Group	People working in tourism sector
8	the duration of	8 weeks for 4 hours / per week
	course study (in	o weeks for 4 flours / per week
	weeks)	
9	Language of	Ukrainian
	teaching	
10	Credits number	3
11	Number of	90
	hours	
12	Class work	30
	Individual work	60
15	Form of control	1. Evaluation of students' work during practical
		training.
		2. Evaluation of individual task realization.
		3. Carrying out of final control in the form of exam
		(oral and written response).
16	Criteria for	All forms of control refer to the lectures' content
	evaluation	



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17	Terms of	Regular attendance at lectures / seminars and		
	admission to	work in the frameworks of the seminar		
	the test and			
	evaluation of			
	knowledge			
	(exam)			
18	Type of the	Document confirming the successful pass of		
	$\operatorname{document}$	professional development		
	confirming the			
	successful visit			
	of the course			
19	Organizational	Location: Kherson State University		
	instructions	Recommended number of participants: 20		
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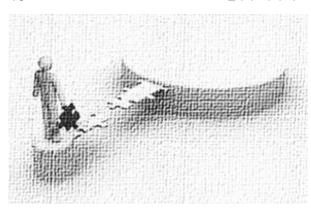


TABLE 2

22. COURSE OBJECTIVES

Objective: forming in the students of science-based ecological attitudes, beliefs, knowledge, skills that necessary for professional activity in the field of eco-tourism and its impact on socio-economic development of regions.

	Learning objectives	Methods and forms of educational process organization	Monitoring and evaluation forms
Special knowledge	To represent the need to society movement towards a new ideology, the greening of the economy and of production, post-industrial, environmentally-oriented civilization. To reproduce the key concepts of ecotourism. To justify the reasons for raising the level of environmental awareness and ecological culture of the population	Lecture, Tasks for the portfolio, Group discussion, Working in small groups	Test or folder portfolio of each participant of the seminar, if necessary



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lidactic e	To own methodology of ecotourism potential assessment at recreational territories, space and economic	Working in small groups, simulation of small pieces of the exercises and concepts, short	Reflection (self- analysis), Self- conducting
Methodical and didactic competence	processes of tourism. To be able to plan the main stages of the development of ecotourism destinations. To know the basic characteristics of ecotourism activities in	presentations	of the class and discussion with colleagues (mutual evaluation, discussion)
	the territories of nature reserve fund.		
Interdisciplinary competence, social competence	To use geo-ecological approach to the practice of recreational areas development and the prevention of the negative impact of the tourist industry on the environment.	Cases (Case study), work in small groups, group discussion	Presentation of solutions for cases (Case study)





TABLE 3 23. SUMMARY OF LECTURES

№		Class work Number of hours (Lectures / seminars)	Individual work (number of hours)
1	Theme 1. The content of eco-tourism as a priority direction of regional sustainable development. Lecture 1. 1.1. The basic premises of the emergence and development of ecotourism, its objectives, components and development functions. 1.2. The role of eco-tourism in the sustainable development of recreational areas 1.3. Basic principles of realization of the true ecotourism. The content and the basic preconditions for the emergence of eco-tourism are discovered. Due to the increase of world public opinion about the necessity of negative human activities awareness, public attention to environmental protection dramatically increases as well as the application of the basic principles of ecological tourism in the direction of sustainable development at recreational areas. It pays more attention to the development of eco-tourism, since it is aimed at protecting the environment, and rational human interaction with it through the tourism, i.e. the combination of traveling to the conservation of wild environment.	2/-	6



2	Theme 2. Geo-environmental aspects of the impact of the tourist industry on the environment. Lecture 2. 2.1. Geo-ecological approach in the assessment of the recreational areas state. 2.2. Evaluation of different types of tourism influence on the environment. 2.3. Measures to improve and preserve the environment. Geo-ecological aspects of tourism priority areas are considered as a basis for socio-economic development of the region. Practical mechanisms for the improvement and preservation of the environment are formed, as well as for the development of tourism on innovation basis as one of the ways to implement the strategy of creation a network of environmental centers in Ukraine.	2/-	6
3	Theme 3. Current state and assessment of ecotourism potential: key trends and development issues. Lecture 3. 3.1. The content of ecotourism potential and its role in the organization of eco-tourism activities in a certain area. 3.2. Methodological and methodical evaluation questions of ecotourism potential. 3.3. The main stages of development planning at ecotourism directions. The ways of solving the problems of organization of ecotourism activities through the creation of new categories - best ecotourism areas are revealed. Methodological and methodical questions of ecotourism potential assessment are raised, and the basic stages of eco-tourism destinations development planning including the definition of target ecotourism activities, analysis of the current situation and the potential of ecotourism, as well as the likely or has already occurred environmental impacts, etc. Seminar 1. Evaluation of ecotourism potential and the basic stages of development planning at eco-tourism directions	~ . ~	6



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4	Theme 4. Organizational basis of service and quality of service in eco-tourism. Lecture 4. 4.1 Nature and content of the service process in ecotourism. 4.2. Strategic actions aimed at providing high-quality services. 4.3. Methods of organization and marketing strategy of eco-tourism. 4.4. Environmental information in advertising, trademarks and signs. It describes the organizational fundamentals for the providing of quality services and content of maintenance process in eco-tourism. Ecotourism marketing should be improved so as to take into account not only the economic, social, cultural, and both environmental and political factors. Only in this case it will reflect the interests and tourists-consumers and the producers of the tourist product themselves. Various means are characterized: advertising, serving a common main goal - to bring to the attention of visitors of ecotourism regions and its customers' the idea of what the overall environmental situation, how environmentally friendly the services offered and to what extent it is advisable to use them. Seminar 2. Analysis of the influence of environmentally friendly products brand on the consumer's quality of the tourist product.	2/2	6
5	Theme 5. Rural green tourism as a promising direction to improve the attractiveness of territories and self-employment of the rural population. Lecture 5. 5.1. Motivation in choosing the holiday in the countryside. 5.2. Development factors of modern rural tourism. 5.3. The concepts and principles of green tourism in the context of the ongoing development of the village. 5.4. Opportunities for youth employment in the field of green tourism. The attention is paid to the fact that green tourism gives only benefits to the people, economy and environment of rural areas, when it will be integrated into all areas of rural life.	2/2	6



	Generalized theoretical and practical achievements in the organization of service of green tourism and legal regulation of tourist services. It is emphasized the main difference between the rural green tourism and classical tourism - that travel services are able to be provided by individuals who are not necessarily have professional tourist education (agricultural workers, service workers, teachers). Seminar 3. Creation of the business plan and finding investments for the development of green tourism base in the region.		
6	Topic 6. Preservation of ethnocultural traditions of Ukrainian people by means of rural green tourism development. Lecture 6. 6.1. Importance of rural recreation as a factor in the conservation of ethnographic identity and national traditions. 6.2. Typical services of rural green tourism 6.3. Factors to ensure the conditions for safe recreation in rural tourism. The national importance of rural recreation by preserving ethnographic identity through the revival and development of traditional culture, knowledge of the real traditions of the region, attracting rural ethno-cultural foreign tourists is discovered. It raises the question of the development of rural tourism as a tool in the preservation of the unique historical and cultural heritage of Ukraine. Interest for tourists in rural areas may be represented by: arable farming, as the ethnographic and cultural phenomenon; crafts, Ukrainian national clothes, etc.	2/-	6



Theme 7. The objects of nature reserve fund in the environmental tourist travel system. **Lecture 7.**

- 7.1. Socio-ecological significance of natural protected areas
- 7.2. The effect of tourist activities on the ecology of protected areas.
- 7.3. The particularities of use of territories and objects of natural reserve fund of Ukraine
- 7.4. Prospective ways of development of ecological tourism and full advantage of ecotourism potential of the NRF.

It emphasizes the attention to the impact of the tourism industry on the environment of protected areas, types and areas of recreational activities within the territories and objects of FNR. Also the attention is focused on the development of ecotourism objectives for recreational areas, including: legislative and normative-legal registration of eco-tourism activities; the development of the economic mechanism of paid recreational (tourist) services: rationale mechanism for determining the allowable recreational loadings on the landscape complexes of natural protected areas used for recreation, tourism and treatment, etc. Proper and at the same time wasteful use of ecotourism potential, of reserves and national parks in the country - the key to their future success. Eco- tourist promising directions of national parks and reserves in Ukraine are the systematic use of their resources, design and development of environmental and eco-cultural tourist routes (such as bird watching or unique butterflies, waterfalls, unique landscapes etc.).

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8	Theme 8. Ecological tourism as a basis in the education and formation of the younger generation's careful attitude to the environment. Lecture 8. 8.1. Ecotourism as a component of ecological education. 8.2. Environmental education activities of the natural reserve fund of Ukraine as a web of environmental education (for example, Biosphere Reserve "Askania Nova"). 8.3. Education in ecological culture for future specialists in tourism to work in protected areas. 8.4. Tourist approaches and excursions for the schoolchildren in the system of environmental education. Theme is dedicated to the issues of environmental education and the need for the formation of ecological culture between the younger generations. It describes the urgency of formation of humanistic ideology of man's relationship with the natural environment, which is based on the principles of environmental ethics, culture and deep environmental knowledge. The principles and methodological approaches of environmental education of youth are analyzed. The nature, forms and prospects of development of ecotourism as an important component of environmental education are considered in detail.		6
9	Theme 9. The study and application of long-term international experience in the formation of environmental responsibility and the involvement of youth in environmental activities. Lecture 9. 9.1. The practice of ecological education of students in the UK. 9.2. Ecological education of pupils in schools in the European Region and North America. 9.3. Main trends in environmental education of extracurricular institutions in Australia. The peculiarities of the foreign experience in ecological education of young people are discovered. It draws attention to the fact that the most effective approach to the conservation of the nature reserves and national parks territories should be based on a thorough understanding of the younger generation and all groups of the population of the scientific, educational and environmental role of protected areas, as well as on the support of their activities on the part of society.	2/2	6



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	Seminar 4. Creating of own model (strategy) of environmental education in order to increase the level of eco-tourism in the region.		
10	development and successful promotion of tourist products based on the experience of informational providing in tourism enterprises of European companies. The attention is focused on the features of the functioning of various booking schemes and Web page analysis of enterprises in the tourism industry, contributing to overcome the challenges of application of information technology in the recreation and tourism activities. Seminar 5. Analysis on the practice of information technologies in the organization and booking of travel services of tourism enterprises field.	2/2	6
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