



LOGICS AND ARGUMENTATION

Course size in KP	5 CP		
Duration of the course	2nd semester/3rd semester		
Abstract of the study course	To offer an opportunity to deepen knowledge of critical thinking as an analytically evaluative activity; identify the system of principles of critical thinking, strategies, methodological techniques, as well as the possibilities of their use in the professional activities of students.		
the study course	The aim of the course is to provide knowledge about the psychological aspects of effective communication, to get acquainted with the guidelines of various psychological directions on conflict, to learn the basic methods of conflict situation analysis and constructive resolution.		
Study course results	Knowledge	Skills	Competences
	To acquire knowledge about the most important classical and modern concepts about human existence and the role of thinking in it, the forms of human mental activity, their specific features, modern approaches in understanding critical thinking.	Cultivate the skills to creatively apply the acquired knowledge in the understanding and evaluation of human and social life. To know critical and logical thinking strategies, methodological techniques. To understand the motives of one's own and other people's actions, the possibilities of analysis, control and management of individual and collective behavior of people, to use these skills in professional activities.	To acquire the ability to critically understand the current problems of modern humanity, to apply critical and logical thinking techniques in the analysis of problems related to professional activity, in the search for solutions, in the analysis of the situation and in the development of solutions.
Study course content	Topics		
	1	Fundamentals of classical logic. Basic concepts of modern thinking. Argumentation mistakes	
	2	Critical thinking phenomenon general characterization . Critical thinking essence , concept, content . Strategies and methodological techniques promoting critical thinking Thinking stereotypes, overcoming them Critical evaluation of information with organizations	
	3	Types of conflicts and possible causes in the organization. Models of conflict development. Critical point of conflict escalation. Criteria for conflict analysis. Conflicting personality. Psychological conditions that contribute to the awareness and resolution of internal conflict. Constructive conflict solution .	
Test form:	Diff. credit		
Obligatory literature:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dobelli, R. (2017). The Art of Wise Action. R: Jānis Roze 2. Fekseuss, K. (2017). Do what I want. A book about influence. R: Star ABC 		



Additional reading:

1. Adair, JE (2007). The art of creative thinking: how to be innovative and develop great ideas. - London: Kogan Page; Philadelphia.
2. Apsalon, Edmund. (2013). Communication competence: how to understand and build relationships. Riga: Star ABC.
3. Galindo, JW (2010). The power of thinking differently: creativity, change, the discovery of new ideas. USA : Hyena Press.
4. Dobelli, R. (2017). The art of clear thinking. R: Jānis Roze
5. Leadership and power: identity processes in groups and organizations. (2003). London; Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.

Other sources of information:

1. <https://www.monash.edu/rlo/research-writing-assignments/critical-thinking>
2. <http://www.sussex.ac.uk/skillshub/?id=277>
3. <https://hedgehogreview.com/blog/thr/posts/on-critical-thinking>

Changes and additions to the program and literature list are possible during the study process