FACULTY OF PHILOLOGY

educational division (faculty/institute/academy) as higher education programme developer

#### **COURSE SYLLABUS**

#### **PEDAGOGY OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

course title

Scientific specialty:

field of studies / speciality code and title

#### The course instruction is implemented within the PhD programmes: For all PhD programs (in English) realized at RUDN University

higher education programme profile/specialisation title

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## 1. DISCIPLINE (MODULE) GOAL

The main **goal** is to develop basic knowledge and research skills, which are necessary for efficient professional activity in higher education institution.

The main **objectives**:

- develop the ability to get and critically assess new pedagogical data;
- develop analytical thinking and problem-solving ability;
- teach postgraduates to plan and work out course structure, lecture, seminar etc.;
- provide mastering interactive methods of education;
- develop the ability to assess the results;
- develop such personal qualities as activity, leadership, self-dependence, creativity.

#### 2. REQUIREMENTS FOR LEARNING OUTCOMES

The discipline "Pedagogy of Higher Education" is aimed at forming the theoretical and methodological base necessary for pedagogical professional activities of postgraduate students, and is carried out during the first year of their studies.

As a result, post-graduate students must:

Know: goals, main objectives, the subject of higher education pedagogy; evolution of higher education systems and broad information on the main international and national trends of higher education policy; fundamentals of higher education didactic system.

Be able to: support, design and organize learning environments in accordance with the individual learning attitudes of students in higher education; prepare and assess the development of new study programs, educational and organizational forms, methods, curricula; successfully lead and organize projects and support the work of students' groups.

Possess: commitment to continuous professional development, openness to continuously renew the pedagogical culture of institutions; commitment to support the development of students' learning, the development of their personal competencies and their ability of self-directed learning.

## 3. WORKLOAD OF THE DISCIPLINE AND TYPES OF ACTIVITIES

The overall workload of the discipline "Pedagogy of Higher Education" is 2 credit units (72 academic hours).

Types of activities	Total hours	Semesters			
		1	2	3	4
Classroom activities (total), including:	18	18			
Lectures (LC)	6	6			
Practical lessons/Seminars (PC)	12	12			
Independent work (total)	54	54			
Including:					
Project work	14	14			
Other kinds of independent study	40	40			
Overall workload hours	72	72			
Credits	2	2			

Table 3.1. Types of educational activities by periods of mastering the postgraduate program

#### **4. DISCIPLINE CONTENTS**

Nº	Course unit	Unit content	Type of study work
1	Pedagogy of higher education as a field of study and academic subject area.	Introduction (course structure, goals and objectives, point rating system). Pedagogy as a science. Key concepts: education, system of education, higher education, teaching, learning. Contemporary trends in higher education. Internationalization of higher education. Life - long learning.	LC/PC
2	Didactics of higher education.	General aspects of didactic system. Content of higher education (laws and regulations; main principles). Competency-based approach to education. Curriculum and course syllabus. Forms and methods of teaching. Lecture in modern higher education. Seminars, practical lessons, laboratory class. Project-based learning. Interactive methods of teaching (discussions, case-study, professional simulation etc.). ICT in modern higher education. Students' individual work. Monitoring and evaluation of academic performance. Feedback.	LC/PC
3	Educational environment of modern university	Faculty and stuff: main requirements and functions, professional ethics. Faculty interaction with students. Educational potential of extra-curricular activities.	LC/PC

# 5. EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS AND TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT

 Table 5.1. Material and technical support of the disciple

Room Type	Room Equipment	Specialized educational / laboratory equipment, software and materials for mastering the discipline (if necessary)
Lecture Class	Room for lecture-type classes, equipped with a set of specialized furniture, board (screen) and technical / multimedia gadgets.	Not necessary
Class for Seminars	Room for seminar-type classes, equipped with a set of specialized furniture, board (screen) and technical / multimedia gadgets.	Not necessary
Computer	Computer class, equipped with a set of specialized furniture, board (screen) and technical / multimedia	Not necessary

Class	gadgets.	
Self-Work Class	Room for self-working (can be used for lecture and seminars activities), equipped with a set of specialized furniture, board (screen) and technical / multimedia gadgets and computers with an access to EIPES.	Not necessary

# 6. METHODOLOGICAL SUPPORT AND LEARNING MATERIALS

Main readings:

 A Handbook for Teaching and Learning in Higher Education: Enhancing Academic Practice/ [edited by] Heather Fry, Steve Ketteridge, Stephanie Marshall. - 3<sup>rd</sup> ed: Routledge, New York and London. 2009. Available at:

https://www.sun.ac.za/english/faculty/arts/Documents/HandbookTeachingLearningHigheEd.pdf

- 2. A Handbook for Teaching and Learning in Higher Education: Enhancing Academic Practice/ [edited by] Heather Fry, Steve Ketteridge, Stephanie Marshall. - 4th ed: Routledge, New York and London. 2015. Available at: https://esystem.rudn.ru/mod/assign/view.php?id=817373
- 3. Brown G. Assessment: A Guide for Lecturers. Available at: // https://www.researchgate.net/publication/265398364\_Assessment\_A\_Guide\_for\_Lecturers
- 4. McKeachie, Wilbert James Teaching tips : strategies, research, and theory for college and university teachers. Houghton Mifflin Company. 2006. Available at: http://ndl.ethernet.edu.et/bitstream/123456789/29260/1/5..pdf
- 5. The History of higher education : major themes in education / ed. by Roy Lowe. London ; New York : Routledge, 2009.

Additional readings:

- 1. Bergan Sjur. The university as res publica: Higher education governance, student participation and the university as a site of citizenship / Bergan Sjur. Strasbourg : Council of Europe Publshng, 2004.169 p.
- 2. Boyer E. Scholarship Reconsidered: Priorities of the Professoriate. San Francisco: Jossey-Bass. 1990.
- 3. Fostering Quality Teaching in Higher Education: Policies and Practices. OECD. 2012. 54 p.

## Special journals:

- 1. European Journal of Higher Education http://www.tandfonline.com/loi/rehe20
- 2. Higher Education <u>https://link.springer.com/journal/volumesAndIssues/10734</u>
- 3. Higher Education Quarterly <u>http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1111/(ISSN)1468-2273</u>
- 4. Higher Education Pedagogies http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rhep20/current
- 5. Higher Education Policy http://www.springer.com/education+%26+language/journal/41307
- 6. International Higher Education <u>https://ejournals.bc.edu/ojs/index.php/ihe/index</u>
- 7. International Journal of Teaching and Learning in Higher Education (IJTLHE) <u>http://www.isetl.org/ijtlhe/</u>
- 8. Teaching in Higher Education <u>http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/cthe20/current</u>

Databases, information and reference systems, search systems:

1. Electronic fund of legal and normative-technical documentation, <u>http://docs.cntd.ru</u>;

- 2. Yandex search system https://www.yandex.ru;
- 3. Google search system https://www.google.com;
- 4. Reference database Scopus http://www.elsevierscience.ru/products/scopus .

*Educational and methodological materials for students' self-work studying the discipline / module \*:* 

1. A course of lectures on the discipline "Pedagogy of Higher Education".

2. Links to external additional materials on the discipline "Pedagogy of Higher Education".

\* - all educational and methodological materials for independent work of students are available in accordance with the current procedure on the page of the discipline in TUIS RUDN.

# 7. ASSESSMENT TOOLKIT AND GRADING SYSTEM FOR EVALUATION OF PHD STUDENTS' COMPETENCES LEVEL AS COURSE RESULTS

Assessment toolkit and a grading system to evaluate the level of competences (competences in part) formation as the course results are specified in the Appendix to the course syllabus.

\* The assessment toolkit and the grading system are formed on the basis of the requirements of the local normative act of RUDN University (regulations / order).

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