

	Course name: MATH 535 Combinatorics					Department: Mathematics		Semester 1																														
	Methods of Education							Credit (ECTS)																														
	Lecture	Recitation/ (Etud)	Lab	Project/Field Study	Homework	Other	Total	8																														
	42	0	0	90	60	48	240																															
Language	English																																					
Compulsory/Elective	Departmental Elective																																					
Prerequisites	None																																					
Course Description	Generating functions, recurrence relations, extremal problems for graphs and set systems, probabilistic methods in combinatorics, algebraic methods in combinatorics.																																					
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Course Objectives	This course will focus on some basic concepts in combinatorics and provide methods to solve combinatorial problems.																																					
Learning Outcomes and Competences	<p>By a successful completion of this course, students should be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Understand basic concepts in combinatorics 2. Solve linear recurrence relations 3. Apply basic probabilistic and algebraic methods on combinatorial problems 																																					
Textbook and /or References	<p>References:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joy Morris, Combinatorics, 2017 • Alan tucker, Applied Combinatorics, Wiley, 2012 • Alon, Noga and Joel H. Spencer. The Probabilistic Method. Wiley, 2016 																																					

Assessment Methods and Criteria	In-Term Studies		Quantity	Percentage%
	Mid-terms		1	25
	Quizes		0	0
	Assignments		3	25
	Attendance		0	0
	Practice		0	0
	Project		1	20
	Final Examination		1	30
Total		6	100	
ECTS Allocated Based on Student Workload	Activities	Quantity	Duration	Total Work Load
	Course Duration	14	3	42
	Hours for off-the-c.r.study	14	5	70
	Assignments	3	20	60
	Mid-terms	1	20	20
	Project	1	20	20
	Final Examination	1	28	28
Total	34	96	240	
Instructors				