

SOIL MORPHOLOGY AND CLASSIFICATION

1	Course Title:	SOIL MORPHOLOGY AND CLASSIFICATION	
2	Course Code:	TOP5953	
3	Type of Course:	Optional	
4	Level of Course:	Second Cycle	
5	Year of Study:	1	
6	Semester:	1	
7	ECTS Credits Allocated:	6.00	
8	Theoretical (hour/week):	2.00	
9	Practice (hour/week):	2.00	
10	Laboratory (hour/week):	0	
11	Prerequisites:	none	
12	Language:	Turkish	
13	Mode of Delivery:	Face to face	
14	Course Coordinator:	Prof. Dr. ERTUĞRUL AKSOY	
15	Course Lecturers:	yok	
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17	Website:		
18	Objective of the Course:	Presenting basic principle of Soil Taxonomy and WRB (FAO/Unesco) classification systems and to teach classification techniques of Soil Taxonomy and WRB (FAO/Unesco) soil classification systems and using methodology of field, laboratory and meteorological data during the soil classification.	
19	Contribution of the Course to Professional Development:	Knows the most used soil classification systems and their properties in the world and in our country, and can classify soil profiles according to these systems.	
20	Learning Outcomes:		
		1	To describe the principles and application of soil classification.
		2	To interpret the Soil Taxonomy and WRB (FAO/Unesco) soil classification systems.
		3	To implement soil classification according to Soil Taxonomy and WRB (FAO/Unesco) classification systems using field, laboratory and meteorological data.
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21	Course Content:		
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Week	Theoretical	Practice	

1	Introduction Definition of soil and basic principles on soil concept Soil morphology	The great soil groups developed in Turkey
2	Soil forming factors	The effect of soil forming factors (climate, natural vegetation, topography and time) on soil formation and their distribution.
3	Soil classification concept and soil classification systems	Soil classification in Turkey.
4	Basic Principles and structures of Soil Taxonomy and WRB (FAO/unesco) systems Nomenclature Categorical level	Determination of Physical , chemical and morphological analysis result of the defined soil profile and meteorological data according to soil classification system principles
5	Diagnostic horizons Epipedons (diagnostic surface horizons)	Determining of the epipedons due to given Physical, chemical and morphological properties
6	Diagnostic horizons diagnostic subsurface horizons	Determining of the diagnostic subsurface horizons due to given Physical, chemical and morphological properties
7	Diagnostic properties soil moisture and soil temperature regime	Determining of the soil moisture and soil temperature regime due to meteorological data (given 1. Homework subjects)
8	sample profiles and presentations to the homework subject	Advanced studies on homework-1.
9	Order and suborder Entisols Vertisols Inceptisols	Use of Keys to soil taxonomy guide for soil classification Properties of soils classified as Entisol, Vertisol and Inceptisol Orders Use of Keys to soil taxonomy guide. Field study.

Activites		Number	Duration (hour)	Total Work Load (hour)
Theoretical	Properties of soils classified as	14	2.00	28.00
Practicals/Labs		14	2.00	28.00
Self study and preperation	Field study.	14	2.00	28.00
Homeworks		3	15.00	45.00
Projects	Use of Keys to soil taxonomy guide.	0	0.00	0.00
Field Studies		4	8.00	32.00
Midterm exams	Use of WRB (FAO/Unesco) soil classification system guide	0	0.00	0.00
Others		0	0.00	0.00
Final Exam	Evaluation of homework reports, explanation if possible	20	20.00	20.00
Total Work Load				181.00
Total work load/ 30 hr				6.03
ECTS Credit of the Course				6.00

22	Textbooks, References and/or Other Materials:	<p>Dinç, U., Kapur, S., Özbek, H., Şenol, S.1999. Toprak Genesisi ve Sınıflandırması, 3.baskı. Çukurova Üniversitesi Ziraat Fakültesi Ders Kitabı No:C-130, ÇÜZF, Adana.376s.</p> <p>Diressen, P.M., Dudal R., 1989. Lecture Notes on the Geography, Formation, Properties and use of the Major Soils of the World. Agricultural Univ. Wageningen.</p> <p>Fanning, D.S. and M.C.B. Fanning, 1989. Soil: Morphology, Genesis and Classification, John Wiley and Sons, USA . 395p.</p> <p>Schoeneberger, P.J., D.A. Wysocki, E.C. Benham and W.D. Broderson, 2002. Field Book for Describing and Sampling Soils, Version 2.0, p: 189. National Soil Survey Center, Lincoln., NE.USDA-NRCS.</p> <p>Soil Survey Staff 1999. Soil Taxonomy: A Basic System of Soil Classification for Making and Interpreting Soil Surveys. 2nd edn. USDA-NRCS Agric. Handbook No. 436. US Government Printing Office, Washington, DC, USA, 871 p.</p> <p>Soil Survey Staff 2006. Keys to Soil Taxonomy. 10th edn. USDA-NRCS. US Government Printing Office, Washington DC, USA, 332 p.</p> <p>FAO/UNESCO, 1990. FAO-Unesco Soil Map of the World, Revised Legend, p: 119. World soil resources report No: 60, FAO, Rome, Italy</p> <p>FAO.,1990. Guidelines for Soil Profile Description, Rome, Italy</p> <p>Burt, R. (ed.) 2004. Soil Survey Laboratory Methods Manual. Soil Survey Investigations Report No. 42, version 4,0. USDA-NRCS, US Government Printing Office, Washington, DC, USA, 700 p.</p>
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23	Assesment
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TERM LEARNING ACTIVITIES	NUMBER	WEIGHT
Midterm Exam	0	0.00
Quiz	0	0.00
Home work-project	0	0.00
Final Exam	1	100.00
Total	1	100.00
Contribution of Term (Year) Learning Activities to Success Grade		0.00
Contribution of Final Exam to Success Grade		100.00
Total		100.00
Measurement and Evaluation Techniques Used in the Course	term homeworks, attandes performance to lecture and final exam	

24	ECTS / WORK LOAD TABLE
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25	CONTRIBUTION OF LEARNING OUTCOMES TO PROGRAMME QUALIFICATIONS															
	PQ1	PQ2	PQ3	PQ4	PQ5	PQ6	PQ7	PQ8	PQ9	PQ10	PQ11	PQ12	PQ13	PQ14	PQ15	PQ16
ÖK1	5	4	0	5	4	4	0	0	0	4	5	0	0	0	0	0

ÖK2	5	4	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	4	5	0	0	0	0	0
ÖK3	5	4	0	5	0	0	4	4	3	5	5	3	0	0	0	0
LO: Learning Objectives PQ: Program Qualifications																
Contribution Level:	1 very low			2 low			3 Medium			4 High			5 Very High			