

TITLE OF THE COURSE:	Philosophy of Education
Course code:	EDU5001
Course group:	С
Faculty:	Education Academy*
Study program:	Educational Management
Level:	Master's
Semester:	Autumn
ECTS credits:	6
Language of instruction	English
Course lecturer/s:	Prof., habil. dr. Kęstutis Pukelis
Short course description:	The course provides students with theoretical knowledge and some skills necessary applying conceptions of philosophy of education for research of educational phenomena. The main cognitive, education and self-education philosophies are analysed: idealism, realism, relativism, empiricism, rationalism, criticism, phenomenalism, phenomenology, personalism, social reconstructivism, etc. Personal philosophy of education of master students is developed to substantiate research methodology of educational phenomena.
Course content:	 Concept of philosophy and parts of its system. Metaphysical, analytical and normative traditions in philosophy and its mission in research of educational phenomena. Theory of "Omega point". A. Pro-life (Geogenesis: litosphere, hidro-sphere, biosphere, atmosphere, technosphere. Tangential and radial energies). B. Life (Biogenesis: polymerization, fila, verticil. Reproduction, procreation, renewal, coupling, association, purposeful accumulation). C. Thought (Psychogenesis: Instinct, intellect, mind, personalisation. Orthogenesis). D. Superlife (Noo-genesis: evolution as raising of mind; attributes of mind; Universalisation; The main directions of development of mankind). Concepts of world feeling, worldview and world outlook and links with Gnostic philosophy. The power, form and norm of cognition. Concept and mission of philosophy of culture. Pedagogics of values. To relate the main statements of philosophy of culture with the ethics of research of educational phenomena.



	 9. Epistemology as theory of cognition. Fundamentalist and antifundamentalist tradition in epistemology. 10. Dogmatism, idealism, realism, relativism, criticism, scepticism. 11. The main laws of being (entity) and epistemology. 12. Concepts and significance of empirism and rationalism in research of educational phenomena. 13. Criticism as integration of empirism and rationalism. 14. Pragmatism, progressivism, behaviourism, social reconstructionism, positivism and neopositivism. 15. Realism of Consensus. Nominalism. Conceptualism. Neotomism. 16. J. Herbart's theory of stair-step perception. Perenialism and essentialism. 17. Conception of phenomenalism and the main statements. 18. Conception of phenomenology and the main statements. 19. Methodological significance and problems of Old Baltic faith. 20. Conception of personalism and its significance for
Grading and evaluating student work in class and/or at the final exam:	education theory and practice. Colloquium (Test) - 20 %. Presentation of a structured individual theoretical work in oral and written form – 30% (15 and 15 per cent). Exam - 50 % (Test – 20 %; Substantiation of research topic actuality – 30 %).
Required reading and additional study material	Ralph M. McInemy, (2014). Students Guide to Philosophy (electronic book) Pring, Richard (2004). Philosophy of education: aims, theory, common sense and research Kneller, George Frederick. (1971). Introduction to the Philosophy of Education Data base of University library
Additional information (if applicable)	