

**Fat and Oils Technology and Quality Control**  
**Course Outline**

**General**

<b>SCHOOL</b>	Agricultural Sciences		
<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	Food Science and Nutrition		
<b>ACADEMIC LEVEL</b>	Undergraduate		
<b>CORSE CODE</b>	ME815	<b>SEMESTER</b>	8 <sup>th</sup>
<b>COURSE TITLE</b>	Fat and Oils Technology and Quality Control (Instructor: S. Lalas)		
<b>INDEPENDENT TEACHING ACTIVITIES</b> <i>In case credits are awarded separately for different parts of the course (e.g., Lectures, Laboratory Exercises, etc.), if credits are awarded as a whole for the entire course, specify the weekly teaching hours and the total credits.</i>		<b>WEEKLY TEACHING HOURS</b>	<b>CREDITS</b>
<b>Lectures</b>		3	5
<b>Laboratory Exercises</b>		3	
<b>COURSE TYPE</b> Background, General Knowledge, Scientific Area, Skill Development	Scientific Area, Skill Development		
<b>PREREQUISITE COURSES:</b>	-		
<b>LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION AND EXAMINATION:</b>	Greek		
<b>COURSE OFFERED TO ERASMUS STUDENTS:</b>	Yes		
<b>COURSE WEBSITE (URL):</b>	-		

**LEARNING OUTCOMES**

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<p>The course aims to understand the chemistry of lipids present in foods, the chemical reactions that occur during the processing, storage, and cooking of foods. Additionally, it provides knowledge for selecting methods and conditions to either prevent undesirable changes or promote desirable changes that occur in foods. Finally, it teaches appropriate methods for analyzing lipids to determine their identity (authenticity) or quality. Ultimately, the course aims to prepare students to be responsible for quality control laboratories in the fats and oils industries and to plan, organize, and manage production in these industries.</p> <p>Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understand the structure, chemical, and physical properties of lipids.</li> <li>• Recognize the qualitative characteristics of various fats and oils used in foods (e.g., olive oil, seed oils, margarines, bakery fats).</li> <li>• Control the structure of lipids and non-glyceride components.</li> <li>• Monitor the chemical and physical properties and alterations of fats and oils.</li> <li>• Detect adulteration in fats and oils, control oilseeds, perform sampling, and assess the quality of frying oils, among other tasks.</li> <li>• Learn the extraction methods for plant and animal origin fats and the processing of fats and oils.</li> <li>• Understand methods for making margarines and shortenings, fat and oil substitutes, mayonnaise production, and by-products of fats and oils.</li> </ul>
<b>General Skills</b>
<p>Searching, analyzing, and synthesizing data and information using the necessary technologies, making decisions, working autonomously, collaborating in teams, exercising critical thinking, engaging in theoretical thought, and having the ability to translate theory into practice</p>

**Course Content**

**1<sup>st</sup> Week:** Introduction to fats & oils - Safety Issues

**2<sup>nd</sup> Week:** Components of food lipids

**3<sup>rd</sup> Week:** Physical properties

**4<sup>th</sup> Week:** Physical properties

**5<sup>th</sup> Week:** Chemical properties

**6<sup>th</sup> Week:** Chemical properties

**7<sup>th</sup> Week:** Alterations/Oxidation

**8<sup>th</sup> Week:** Alterations/Oxidation

**9<sup>th</sup> Week:** Antioxidants

**10<sup>th</sup> Week:** Saponification

**11<sup>th</sup> Week:** Fats & oils technology

**12<sup>th</sup> Week:** Fats & oils technology

**13<sup>th</sup> Week:** Food lipids & human diet

#### Teaching and Learning Methods - Evaluation

<b>Teaching Method</b>	Face-to-Face or Distance Learning	
<b>Use of Information and Communication Technologies</b>	YES. The course lectures are supported by electronic slide presentations and other audio-visual materials. Supplementary notes are posted on the E-Class platform.	
<b>Teaching Organization - Workload Activities of the Semester</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Workload</b>
	Lectures	39
	Laboratory exercises	39
	Self-study	72
	<b>Total Course Workload (25 hours of workload per credit):</b>	150
<b>Student Assessment</b>	Examination Language: Greek. Students have access to supplementary notes posted on E-Class, but they also receive a textbook of their choice from those available in the EUFOXUS system. The final grade for the course is determined by 50% from the assessment of the theoretical part (lectures) and 50% from the laboratory exercises. The exams (Theoretical and Laboratory parts) include multiple-choice questions. Specifically: Written examination with multiple-choice questions in the case of in-person assessment. Electronic examination through E-Class with multiple-choice questions in the case of distance assessment.	

#### RECOMMENDED BIBLIOGRAPHY

- *Recommended bibliography:* - Technology - Quality of Fats and Oils, Ioannis Tsaknis, A. TZIOLAS & SONS PUBLICATIONS.  
- OLIVE OIL, Apostolos Kyriatsakis, COPY CITY PUBLICATIONS I.K.E..

- *Relevant scientific journals (indicative):*

- Food Chemistry, Elsevier.
- Journal of American Oil Chemists' Society, Springer.
- European Food Research and Technology, Springer.
- Journal of Food Composition and Analysis, Elsevier.
- International Journal of Food Science and Technology, Blackwell Publishing.
- Food and Bioprocess Technology, Springer.
- European Journal of Lipid Science and Technology, Wiley.

