SYLLABUS

Nazwa przedmiotu: Theory and practice of decision making Nazwa w języku polskim: Teoria i praktyka podejmowania decyzji Nazwa w języku angielskim: Theory and practice of decision making

Information on course:

Course offered by department:	Faculty of Organisation and Management
Course for department:	Silesian University of Technology
Study level and form:	Bachelor's degree, Full-time
Term:	winter semester 2026/2027
Coordinator of course edition:	Dr Ida Skubis

Default type of course examination report:	
Credit	
Language:	
English	
Course homepage:	
https://platforma.polsl.pl/roz/	
ECTS	

Short description:

The aim of the course is to provide knowledge of the approaches, methods and tools used in management and decision-making theory.

Course objectives:

- To learn how to increase employee's professional satisfaction using different management methods;
- To learn the theory and practice of decision-making methods for understanding how to make rational decisions that affect the proper functioning and development of the organization in a competitive environment.

Description:

Lectures:

- 1. Introduction to management
- 2. Management by alternatives normative analysis
- 3. Management by alternatives descriptive analysis intuition
- 4. Management by objectives
- 5. Management by quality circle
- 6. Management by innovation
- 7. Conclusions

Practice lessons:

- 1. Introduction to the management and decision-making methods.
- 2. Management by alternatives normative analysis as a part of MbA.
- 3. Using the intuition in management.
- 4. MbO practice.
- Decision-making in quality circles.
- 6. Using innovation ideas in pratice.
- 7. Test

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Learning outcomes: KNOWLEDGE

K1A _W1. The student knows and understands methods and criteria useful in the decision-making process, especially those relating to the analysis of the decision-making problem, searching for solutions to the decision-making problem, evaluation and selection of solutions.

K1A _W2. The student knows and understands the importance of management science and quality in the decision-making process, especially in terms of the role and basic managerial skills.

SKILLS

K1A_U2. The student is able to identify, analyze and interpret social and economic phenomena and processes using standard methods of management and quality sciences, especially in the field of decision-making problem analysis, searching for solutions to the decision-making problem, evaluation and selection of solutions.

SOCIAL COMPETENCE

K1A_K1. The student is ready to act as a manager, responsible for the consequences of decisions made based on a critical analysis of the results of normative and descriptive analysis, and is also aware that in some cases it is necessary to seek the opinion of experts (to make the best decision).

Assessment methods and assessment criteria:

Working during practical classes – 50% (case study, individual and team tasks, group discussion, extra points for activity);

Final test (written test) – 50%.

Practical placement:

The subject is not directly related to professional practice.