Course Title	Public Relations Management and Practice					
Course Code	MAR360					
Course Type	Elective					
Level	Bachelor (1st Cycle)					
Year / Semester	4 <sup>th</sup> Year / 8 <sup>th</sup> Semester					
Teacher's Name	ТВА					
ECTS	6	Lectures / week	3 Hours/ 14 Weeks	Laboratories / week	None	
Course Purpose and Objectives	The aim of this course is develop an in-depth understanding of public relations as a management function. Specifically, the course covers the principles of public relations management in all types of organizations including the public sector, private sector, and non-profit sector and builds an understanding of the most important practical skills employed in everyday public relations work.					
Learning Outcomes	<ul> <li>Upon successful completion of this course students should be able to:</li> <li>Demonstrate a thorough understanding of Public Relations as a management function.</li> <li>Analyse the role of PR in IMC and the role of social media in effective PR</li> <li>Debate the complexities and challenges involved in working in the field of Public Relations</li> <li>Apply the theoretical bases of PR management to various business settings.</li> <li>Critically evaluate the effectiveness of the various PR tools in different settings.</li> <li>Demonstrate the developed PR skills in a variety of areas through applied projects, exercises and questioning.</li> <li>Apply the learned PR skills in case studies.</li> </ul>					
Prerequisites	None	Co	requisites	None		
Course Content	Areas to be covered: The Nature of Public Relations: PR as a management function. Relationship Management as a general theory of PR.					

	Corporate branding: How PR adds value to integrated marketing communications; PR and social media					
	PR Research & Planning					
	PR Execution: Media relations - Writing for the Mass Media: Press Releases, Feature Articles, Media Kits, Photographs Internal PR - Structuring and Managing the in-House Public Relations Department; Internal PR tools Financial PR Fundamentals of Event management Additional PR tools: Interviews and speeches, Product placement, Internet, Exhibitions, Lobbying, Sponsorships					
	Fundamentals of Crisis management: Types and stages of crises Strategies for responding to crises; How to effectively communicate during a crisis with the different publics; Damage control & Reputation Management					
	PR Evaluation: Measurement of message exposure / audience awareness / audience action					
	Professionalism: Codes of Professional Ethics; the Nature of Profession; Public Responsibility; Why and How to Be Responsibl Your Publics; Legal Constraints. Legal and ethical guidelines (libel slander, invasion of privacy, trademark law, ethics).					
Teaching Methodology	Face-to-face					
Bibliography	Seitel, F. P: THE PRACTICE OF PUBLIC RELATIONS, Pearson International					
	Bains, P., Egan, J. and Jefkins, F. PUBLIC RELATIONS: Contemporary Issues and Techniques, Elsevier					
	Wilcox, D and Cameron, G : "PUBLIC RELATIONS: Strategies and Tactics", Allyn and Bacon, Latest edition					
	Wilcox and Dennis : P.R. – WRITING AND MEDIA TECHNIQUES, Latest Edition					

Assessment	Examinations Assignments Class Participation and Attendance	60% 30% 10% 100%	
Language	English		