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Course Code	Course Name	Semester	Theory	Practice	Lab	Credit	ECTS
IND436	Inventory Management	8	3	0	0	3	4

Prerequisites	
Admission Requirements	

Language of Instruction	English
Course Type	Elective
Course Level	Bachelor Degree
Objective	Inventory management aims to determine the appropriate decisions regarding when and how much to order by taking into consideration the customer service level and cost criteria. A successful inventory management avoids the excess or insufficient inventory, which provides cost savings and increase in customer satisfaction. This elective course focuses mainly on the use of quantitative approaches in determining the optimal inventory policies. The course objectives are the following: 1. Make students be aware of the reasons for holding stock as well as the costs associated with it, 2. Show students how to make a quantitative analysis of inventory problems, 3. Inform students about the variety of stock models and the availability of the alternative solution techniques.

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References	Nahmias, S., "Production and Operations Analysis", 6th edition, McGraw-Hill Companies, 2008. Chopra, S., Meindl, P., "Supply Chain Management: Strategy, Planning, and Operation", 4th edition, Prentice Hall, 2010.

Theory Topics

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