

Medicinski fakultet u Rijeci

**IZVEDBENI NASTAVNI PLAN
2025/2026**

Za kolegij

Physical Activity and Healthy Ageing

Studij:	Medical Studies in English (R) (izborni) Sveučilišni integrirani prijediplomski i diplomski studij
Katedra:	Katedra za socijalnu medicinu i epidemiologiju
Nositelj kolegija:	izv. prof. dr. sc. Bilajac Lovorka, dipl. sanit. ing.
Godina studija:	1
ECTS:	1.5
Stimulativni ECTS:	0 (0.00%)
Strani jezik:	Ne

Podaci o kolegiju:

The goal of the subject *Physical activity and healthy aging* is to encourage students to think about the importance of practicing physical activity as part of health promotion in the elderly. Aging is a normal physiological process of any living organism, and physical activity has a positive effect on disease prevention, health maintenance, and higher quality of life. According to research and demographic data, aging of the population is present in all developed countries, which consequently leads to an increase in the health needs of the population. Furthermore, the objective of the course is to uphold the theoretical and practical application of knowledge and research methods as well as measuring the effectiveness of physical activity focused on healthy aging.

Course content :

The course will present the physical activity as an important factor of healthy ageing. Course content includes physical activity as one of the segments of health promotion, especially in the elderly, the specific needs of an aging population, a personalized approach and classification of measuring the effectiveness of physical activity on quality of life of elderly people. During the course, students will critically evaluate the results obtained and link them with the way of life.

Expected learning outcomes:

At the end of the course students will be able to:

- Describe the specific needs of elderly
- Explain the importance of disease prevention and health promotion in the elderly
- Distinguish the type of physical activity for each age
- Propose measures for checking and monitoring the effectiveness of exercise
- Prepare exercises suited to the age and the individual person (personalized approach) and devise a way of monitoring the impact
- Connect the impact of physical activity with emotional progress (recognize the social component of the exercise group)

Popis obvezne ispitne literature:

1. World Health Organization, World report on ageing and health. WHO Library Cataloguing-in-Publication Date: mISBN 978 92 4 156504 2, Geneva 2015.
2. Communication from the European Commission - The demographic future of Europe - from challenge to opportunity. COM(2006) 571 final. Brussels: European Commission; 2006.

Popis dopunske literature:

1. The Swedish National Institute of Public Health Healthy Ageing- A Challenge for Europe R 2006:29 ISSN: 1651-8624
2. Urban Health Centres Europe- UHCE, dostupno na <https://www.age-platform.eu/project/urban-health-centres-europe-uhce>

Nastavni plan:

Predavanja popis (s naslovima i pojašnjenjem):

Aging of the population and challenges for the health system and society

List and summarize the basic characteristics of the aging population and describe the impact on the health system

Benefits of physical activity

Describe benefits of physical activity

Current research

Describe the importance of research and intervention in the society

Specific needs of the elderly; Health promotion and disease prevention in the elderly

Explain the importance of disease prevention and health promotion in the elderly and describe the specific needs of elderly

A personalized approach and classification of measuring the effectiveness of physical activity on the quality of life of the elderly

Propose measures for checking and monitoring the effectiveness of exercise

Vježbe popis (s naslovima i pojašnjenjem):

Methods of research and measurement of the effectiveness of physical activity of elderly people

Implement and design ways to evaluate the effectiveness of physical activity on health (field work) through measurements and synthesize the results

How to motivate people to participate in a physically active life- exercise

Prepare exercises suited to the age and the individual person (personalized approach) and devise a way of monitoring the impact

Seminari popis (s naslovima i pojašnjenjem):

scientific article- evidence-based on the impact of physical activity on physical ability

Differentiate the type of physical activity for each age and impact on physical function

scientific article- evidence-based on the impact of physical activity on cardiovascular risks

Connect the impact of physical activity with cardiovascular health

scientific article- evidence-based on the impact of physical activity on quality of life

Connect the impact of physical activity with emotional progress (recognize the social component of the exercise group)

Obveze studenata:

Students are required to attend classes and participate in all planned activities

Ispit (način polaganja ispita, opis pisanog/usmenog/praktičnog dijela ispita, način bodovanja, kriterij ocjenjivanja):

Student activity will be monitored during the course (in tutorials and seminars), continuous progress will be made, and for the final exam the students will prepare the essay on the given topic

Ostale napomene (vezane uz kolegij) važne za studente:

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SATNICA IZVOĐENJA NASTAVE 2025/2026

Physical Activity and Healthy Ageing

Predavanja (mjesto i vrijeme / grupa)	Vježbe (mjesto i vrijeme / grupa)	Seminari (mjesto i vrijeme / grupa)
26.05.2026		
Aging of the population and challenges for the health system and society: • P15 - VIJEĆNICA (16:00 - 19:30) [335] ◦ PAaHA Benefits of physical activity: • P15 - VIJEĆNICA (16:00 - 19:30) [335] ◦ PAaHA Current research: • P15 - VIJEĆNICA (16:00 - 19:30) [335] ◦ PAaHA Specific needs of the elderly; Health promotion and disease prevention in the elderly: • P15 - VIJEĆNICA (16:00 - 19:30) [335] ◦ PAaHA A personalized approach and classification of measuring the effectiveness of physical activity on the quality of life of the elderly: • P15 - VIJEĆNICA (16:00 - 19:30) [335] ◦ PAaHA		
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03.06.2026		
		scientific article- evidence-based on the impact of physical activity on cardiovascular risks: • ONLINE (16:00 - 20:00) [335] ◦ PAaHA
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05.06.2026		
		scientific article- evidence-based on the impact of physical activity on physical ability: • ONLINE (15:00 - 19:00) [335] ◦ PAaHA
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08.06.2026		

	Methods of research and measurement of the effectiveness of physical activity of elderly peopl: • Katedra za socijalnu medicinu i epidemiologiju - Biblioteka (14:00 - 18:30) [335] ◦ PAaHA How to motivate people to participate in a physically active life- excercise: • Katedra za socijalnu medicinu i epidemiologiju - Biblioteka (14:00 - 18:30) [335] ◦ PAaHA	
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23.06.2026		
		scientific article- evidence-based on the impact of physical activity on quality of life: • P15 - VIJEĆNICA (09:00 - 13:00) [335] ◦ PAaHA
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Popis predavanja, seminara i vježbi:

PREDAVANJA (TEMA)	Broj sati	Mjesto održavanja
Aging of the population and challenges for the health system and society	1	P15 - VIJEĆNICA
Benefits of physical activity	1	P15 - VIJEĆNICA
Current research	1	P15 - VIJEĆNICA
Specific needs of the elderly; Health promotion and disease prevention in the elderly	1	P15 - VIJEĆNICA
A personalized approach and classification of measuring the effectiveness of physical activity on the quality of life of the elderl	1	P15 - VIJEĆNICA

VJEŽBE (TEMA)	Broj sati	Mjesto održavanja
Methods of research and measurement of the effectiveness of physical activity of elderly peopl	3	Katedra za socijalnu medicinu i epidemiologiju - Biblioteka
How to motivate people to participate in a physically active life- excercise	2	Katedra za socijalnu medicinu i epidemiologiju - Biblioteka

SEMINARI (TEMA)	Broj sati	Mjesto održavanja
scientific article- evidence-based on the impact of physical activity on physical ability	5	ONLINE
scientific article- evidence-based on the impact of physical activity on cardiovascular risks	5	ONLINE
scientific article- evidence-based on the impact of physical activity on quality of life	5	P15 - VIJEĆNICA

ISPITNI TERMINI (završni ispit):