

# Syllabus

# Elementary number theory for Odyssey program - 80697

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HU Credits: 4

Responsible Department: Mathematics

Academic year: 0

Semester: 2nd Semester

<u>Teaching Languages:</u> Hebrew

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Course/Module description:

#### Elementary topics in Number Theory

#### Course/Module aims:

Acquaint the students with basic topics in number theory

<u>Learning outcomes - On successful completion of this module, students should be</u> able to:

Solve problems in number theory

#### <u>Attendance requirements(%):</u>

No

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: Lecture

#### Course/Module Content:

- Integers
- Primes and factorization
- Linear Diophantine equations
- Congruences
- Numbers in other bases
- Decimals
- Fermat's, Wilson's and Euler's theorems
- Multiplicative functions
- Perfect numbers
- Primitive roots
- Quadratic reciprocity
- Pythagorean triple
- Infinite descent and Fermat's Last theorem
- Sums of squares
- Counting of primes
- Approximations and Farey sequences
- Continued fractions and Pell

  s equation
- Rings of integers in quadratic extensions
- Introduction into modern number theory

#### Required Reading:

Underwood Dudley: Elementary Number Theory

## Additional Reading Material:

No

Course/Module evaluation:
End of year written/oral examination 90 %
Presentation 0 %
Participation in Tutorials 0 %
Project work 0 %
Assignments 10 %
Reports 0 %
Research project 0 %
Quizzes 0 %
Other 0 %

### Additional information:

No