



COURSE DESCRIPTION CARD - SYLLABUS

Course name

Biomimetic systems engineering

Course

Field of study

Bioinformatics

Area of study (specialization)

Level of study

First-cycle studies

Form of study

full-time

Year/Semester

III/6

Profile of study

general academic

Course offered in

Polish

Requirements

elective

Number of hours

Lecture

30

Laboratory classes

30

Other (e.g. online)

Tutorials

Projects/seminars

Number of credit points

4

Lecturers

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Prerequisites

Basic knowledge of physics, organic chemistry, physical chemistry of physical and biochemical processes; knowledge of cell biology; general academic-level math skills, basic knowledge of laboratory equipment and safety rules in a chemical laboratory

Course objective

The aim of course is to gain the knowledge and skills in the field of biomimetic systems engineering which allow to solve complex engineering problems and manufacture products inspired by nature.



Course-related learning outcomes

Knowledge

A graduate knows and understands:

- chemistry issues required to formulate and solve simple bioinformatic problems including basic definitions and laws of chemistry, organic chemistry and biochemistry (KW_04)
- selected groups of bioactives, their biochemical properties and impact on cells and living organisms (KW_08)
- modern analytical methods used for the evaluation of properties and structure of biomaterials and biomimetic materials (KW_016)

Skills

A graduate is able to:

- use basic techniques and laboratory tools to solve the problems in the field of bioinformatics, biotechnology and related fields and to evaluate their usability (KU_05);
- integrate and interpretate information gained, draw the conclusions and formulate and explain his/her own opinions (K_U02)
- use analytical, simulation and experimental tools under the supervision of scientific tutor to formulate and solve reserach tasks (KU_07);

Social competences

A graduate is ready to:

- cooperate and work in team taking various roles (K_K02);
- identify priorities in accomplishing the tasks set by him/herself or by the other person (K_K03) ;
- take the responsibility for his/her and other person's safety and make the appropriate decisions responding on an emergency (K_K06)

Methods for verifying learning outcomes and assessment criteria

Learning outcomes presented above are verified as follows:

Lecture classes:

Written exam graded in the range 0-100 pts and the following scale is assumed:

3	50,1-60,0 %
3.5	60,1-70%
4	70,1-80,0 %
4.5	80,1-90 %



5 90,1-100 %

Laboratory classes:

current evaluation of student's knowledge before each class and grading the reports with the results of laboratory experiments.

Programme content

1. The concept of biomimetic systems, characterization of biomimetic technical solutions.
2. Biomimetic systems engineering in the light of innovation and sustainability.
3. Biological materials vs. engineering materials.
4. Design, modeling and manufacturing of biomimetic materials (top-down and bottom-up strategies, structural, functional and process biomimetic materials).
5. Physical chemistry of interfacial phenomena in biomimetic systems (surface tension, adhesion, properties of colloidal systems, wettability, adsorption, surface reactions).
6. Bioinspired materials and nanomaterials (superhydrophobic, superhydrophilic, self-cleaning, self-healing, smart materials, self-assembling materials).
7. Experimental methods in studying biomimetic systems.
8. Model biomembranes of living cells: liposomes, Langmuir and Langmuir-Blodgett films, in vitro evaluation of impact of drugs, toxins and other substances on living organisms.
9. Design of biomimetic systems of defined optical, adhesive and responsive properties.

Laboratory classes are practical exercises related to the content of the lecture.

Teaching methods

Lecture: Presentation and discussion

Laboratory classes: practical exercises made by students in physicochemical laboratory.

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Breakdown of average student's workload

	Hours	ECTS
Total workload	100	4,0
Classes requiring direct contact with the teacher	60	2,5
Student's own work (literature studies, preparation for laboratory classes/tutorials, preparation for tests/exam, project preparation) ¹	40	1,5

¹ delete or add other activities as appropriate