



COURSE DESCRIPTION CARD - SYLLABUS

Course name

Methodology of research projects

Course

Field of study	Year/semester
Computing	1/2
Area of study (specialization)	Profile of study
Cybersecurity	general academic
Level of study	Course offered in
Second-cycle studies	English
Form of study	Requirements
full-time	compulsory

Number of hours

Lecture	Laboratory classes	Other (e.g. online)
-	-	-
Tutorials	Projects/seminars	
30	-	

Number of credit points

2

Lecturers

Responsible for the course/lecturer:

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Responsible for the course/lecturer:

Prerequisites

Students should have knowledge concerning basic domains of computer science, in particular artificial intelligence, decision support systems, optimization, and pattern recognition and data analysis.

Moreover, they should follow current trends in computer sciences and related disciplines. With respect to other competence, they should be able to apply analytical and experimental methods, carry out an experimental analysis of algorithms, analyse their results and use statistical tests. They should be good enough at reading scientific literature and looking for additional sources. Finally student should understand the needs to extend their knowledge and competences.

Course objective

To prepare students for an active participation in scientific projects. To provide them basic knowledge on research methods, in particular devoted to computer science. Developing their skill of looking for,



reading scientific literature, making the literature summaries, and choosing appropriate research methods for a given problem.

Course-related learning outcomes

Knowledge

Students should have:

1. a well structured and theoretically founded general knowledge related to key issues in the field of computer science (K2st_W2)
2. knowledge about development trends and the most important cutting edge achievements in computer science and other selected and related scientific disciplines (K2st_W4)
3. knows advanced methods, techniques and tools used to solve complex tasks and conduct research in a selected area of computer science (K2st_W6)
4. knowledge about ethical codes related to scientific research conducted in the field of computer science (K2st_W7)

Skills

1. is able to obtain information from literature, and other sources (both in Polish and English), integrate them, interpret and critically evaluate them, draw conclusions (K2st_U1)
2. is able to plan and carry out experiments, including computer measurements and simulations, interpret the obtained results and draw conclusions and formulate and verify hypotheses (K2st_U3)
3. can use analytical, simulation and experimental methods to formulate and solve simple research problems (K2st_U4)
4. is able to assess the suitability and the possibility of using new achievements (methods and tools) and new IT products (K2st_U6)
5. is able - using among others conceptually new methods - to solve complex tasks, including a research component (K2st_U10)
6. is able to prepare and present a scientific study in Polish and English, presenting the results of scientific research or oral presentation on specific issues in the field of computer science (K2st_U13)
7. can determine the directions of further learning and implement the process of self-education (K2st_U13)

Social competencies

1. understands that in the field of IT the knowledge and skills quickly become obsolete (K2st_K1)
2. understands the importance of using the latest knowledge in the field of computer science in solving research and practical problems (K2st_K2)
3. understands the importance of popularization activities concerning the latest achievements in the field of computer science (K2st_K3)
4. is aware of the need to develop professional achievements and comply with the rules of professional ethics (K2st_K4)

Methods for verifying learning outcomes and assessment criteria

Learning outcomes presented above are verified as follows:

The course is strongly based on very interactive seminars with students. The verification procedures



include: an evaluation of different tasks assigned to students, including written reports and their presentations. Moreover, it includes a continuous evaluation of students' activities during seminars, taking part in a discussion and abilities of formalizing problems and showing ways how to solve them.

Programme content

This course is devoted to practical methods of carrying out research projects and it covers the following issues: the basics of the general methodology of sciences and research (basic vs. applied research; what is science, scientific type of knowledge, criteria to evaluate the scientific aspects, basic types of research procedures); The hypothetical-deduction research process and its main steps, finding open problems, motivating them, hypotheses and their verification; main research procedures; Statistical analysis of experimental results and data visualization; An empirical aspects of computer science; organization of own research environment; Recommendations on how to look for and read scientific literature, and then writing their good summaries; cooperation with scientific institutions and funding agencies; Ethical aspects of carrying out research

Teaching methods

Multi-media presentation, also with illustrations and solving case studies. An interactive discussions with students. Student presentation of how they solved their assigned cases and tasks.

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Basic

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4. M. Heller: Filozofia nauki (wprowadzenie) – różne wydania.
5. K. Wiślocki: Metodologia i redakcja prac naukowych. Wyd. PP 2013
6. J. Zieliński: Metodologia pracy naukowej. Wyd. ASPRA 201

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Breakdown of average student's workload

	Hours	ECTS
Total workload	50	2
Classes requiring direct contact with the teacher	30	1,5
Student's own work (literature studies, preparation for laboratory classes/tutorials, preparation for tests/exams, project preparation) ¹	20	0,5

¹niepotrzebne skreślić lub dopisać inne czynności