MAJOR FIELD OF STUDY "INFORMATION SYSTEMS AND TECHNOLOGIES", BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

QUALIFICATION PROFILE

Major field of study: **Information Systems and Technologies**
Degree: **Bachelor of Science**
Professional qualification: **Expert in Information Systems and Technologies**

The field of study "Information systems and technologies" is from an area of higher education 4. Natural sciences, mathematics and computer science, in professional branch 4.6. Informatics and computer science. Studying in the specialty of educational qualification degree "Bachelor of science" has a full-time course lasting 4 years (8 semesters). Bachelor students of Information Systems and Technologies obtain professional qualification "The expert of Information and Communication technologies".

I. REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PROFESSIONAL QUALITIES AND COMPETENCIES OF ADMITTED STUDENTS

The goal of the new specialty is to prepare quality professionals in the field of Information system and technologies, needed both for business and for science and society.

The specialty Information systems and technology has a theoretical-practical focus. The curriculum includes compulsory courses, providing basic general training in the field of information systems and information technology. With the optional courses, the students have the opportunity to choose and enrich their knowledge and practical skills for specific areas of computer science, information technology, and information systems. The elective courses provide students the opportunity to study specialized courses from mathematics, economics, business, language learning and more.

The students receive thorough knowledge in the field of information processes and models, technologies related to computer science, the use of different software products, design, development, and implementation of software products for various fields of application.

II. REQUIREMENTS TO PREPARATION OF STUDENTS COMPLETING THIS MAJOR FIELD OF STUDY

The students completed BSc degree in Information systems and technologies have to possess following knowledge, skills and competences:
- to adapt and introduce program products and systems;
- to take part in development of program products and packages;
- to use mathematical models and software packages for solving real economic, engineering and management problems in continuous and discrete macro systems;

- to solve various optimization problems;
- to use computer systems for automating the production process and management.

South-West University "Neofit Rilski" prepares qualified experts in Informatics that can apply their knowledge and skills in the area of science, culture, education and economics in Bulgaria and abroad.

In the process of learning, the students acquire complementary skills such as searching for information in many different sources (book, scientific journal, internet etc.) for specific subject areas; to prepare for the multimedia presentation and protection of various exchange projects and tasks, reports, and research reports; a sufficiently high level of proficiency in English in the field of information systems and technologies.

At completion of Bachelor of Science degree in Information systems and technologies, students obtain:

- good preparation in the area of informatics and information systems and technologies as well as solid practical skills conforming to modern European standards and requirements
- ability to apply in practice a wide range of technological tools and methods for solving the problem and non-standard tasks;
- thinking style and affinity to the quickly changing requirements of the information society;
- good opportunities for realizing as experts in Bulgaria or abroad;
- opportunity for successful continuation of education in higher degrees (Master of Science and PhD) in Bulgaria and abroad.
- qualities of teamwork, responsibility, and self-learning.

III. THE AREA OF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Bachelor students of Information Systems and Technologies obtain good theoretical training and practical and applied knowledge and they form professional qualities that give them the opportunity to successfully realize as experts of information and communication technologies (ICT), developers of software and software applications, system and network administrators, database designers, graphic designers, software experts, applied programmers, web and multimedia developers, etc., as well as to continue their education in Master programs.

The qualification characterization of the major field of study "Information system and technologies" for BSc degree, with professional qualification "The expert of information systems and technologies", is a basic document that determines rules for developing the curriculum. This qualification characterization is conformed with legislation in the area of higher education in Republic of Bulgaria. It is consistent with the law on higher education in Bulgaria, the State requirements for the acquisition of higher education in "Bachelor of Science" and "Master of Science" degree, the European and the national qualifications framework and regulations of the South-West University.

CURRICULUM

Field of Study: **INFORMATION SYSTEMS AND TECHNOLOGIES**,
Duration of study: 4 years (8 semesters),
Degree: Bachelor of Computer Science

First Year

I semester	ECTS credits	II semester	ECTS credits
Compulsory Courses		*Compulsory Courses*	
Introduction in programming	6.0	Computer mathematics 2	6.0
Introduction in information systems and technologies	6.0	Languages and programming environments	6.0
Computer mathematics 1	6.0	Object oriented programming	6.0
Graphic design	6.0	Database	6.0
English language 1	6.0	Web design	6.0
Sport	0.0	Sport	0.0
Total	**30**	**Total**	**30**

Second Year

III semester	ECTS credits	IV semester	ECTS credits
Compulsory Courses		*Compulsory Courses*	
Expert systems	6.0	E-commerce	6.0
Algorithms in graphs	6.0	Operation systems	6.0
Internet technologies	6.0	Mathematical logic	6.0
English language 2	6.0	Protection of intellectual property	6.0
Optional course 1 (First group)	6.0	Optional course 2 (Second group)	6.0
Sport	0.0	Optional course 3 (Third group)	3.0
		Sport	0.0
Optional Courses (First group)			
(Choose 1 course)		*Optional Courses* (Second group)	
Operations research	6.0	*(Choose 1 course)*	
Programming with VBA	6.0	Programming in Python	6.0
Computer Games	6.0	Graphic design of printed and promotional materials	6.0
		Coding theory and cryptography	6.0
		Discrete mathematics	6.0
		Web mining	6.0
		Optional Courses (Third group)	
		(Choose 1 course)	
		Norms and Standards of Information Security	3.0
		Crises and Disasters	3.0
		Academic Writing	3.0
Total	**30**	**Total**	**30**

Third Year

V semester	ECTS credits	VI semester	ECTS credits
Compulsory courses		*Compulsory courses*	
Synthesis and analysis of algorithms	6.0	Computer security	4.5
Network and system administration	6.0	Web content management	4.5
Theoretical foundations of informatics	4.5	Probability and statistics	6.0
Computer architectures	4.5	Knowledge management	4.5
Software quality assurance	4.5	Optional course 5 (Fifth group)	6.0
Optional course 4 (Fourth group)	4.5	Optional course 6 (Sixth group)	4.5
Optional courses (Fourth group)		*Optional courses* (Fifth group)	
(Choose 1 course)		*(Choose 1 course)*	
Numerical analysis	4.5	Mathematical optimization	6.0
JavaScript programming	4.5	Virtual and Augmented Reality	6.0
Domain specific languages	4.5	Programming with .NET	6.0
		Optional courses (Sixth group)	
		(Choose 1 course)	
		Project Management	4.5
		Design and Analysis of Human Computer Interactions	4.5
		Pattern Recognition	4.5
Total	**30**	**Total**	**30**

Fourth Year

VII semester	ECTS credits	VIII semester	ECTS credits
Compulsory courses		*Compulsory courses*	
Internet programming	6.0	Software engineering	6.0
Mobile application development	6.0	Information systems and technology in social media analysis	4.0
Specialized statistical software	6.0	Training at IT company	6.0
Optional course 7 (Seventh group)	6.0	Optional course 9 (Eight group)	6.0
Optional course 8 (Seventh group)	6.0	Written state exam or defense of graduate thesis	10.0
Optional courses (Seventh group)		*Optional courses* (Eight group)	
(Choose 2 courses)		*(Choose 1 course)*	
Web-based expert systems	6.0	Text mining	6.0
Numerical optimization	6.0	Languages for artificial intelligence	6.0
Developing database applications	6.0	Computer information systems	6.0
Interactive multimedia technologies	6.0		
Audio and video file processing	6.0		
NoSQL databases	6.0		
Total	**30**	**Total**	**30**

Total credits for four academic years: **240 credits.**

Language of Instruction: English.

FIRST YEAR – I SEMESTER (COMPULSORY COURSES)

INTRODUCTION IN PROGRAMMING

Semester: I semester

Type of course: Lectures and tutorials in computer lab.

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours and 2 hours tutorials in computer lab/FS

ECTS Credits: 6 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Prof. Daniela Tuparova, PhD

Course Status: core course.

Course description: The course is first in area in programming for the students. The course includes topics related to syntax and semantics of programming languages, statements and operators in programming languages, arrays and functions. The course is based on the C++ programming language.

Objectives: The student should obtain basic knowledge in the area of programming and algorithms.

Methods of teaching: lectures, tutorials, discussions, project-based method.

Pre-requirements: No

Assessment and Evaluation:
- Project - 50%
- Final Test - 50%

The course is successful completed with at least 51 % of all scores.

Registration for the Course: No

Registration for the Exam: coordinated with the lecturer and the Student Service Office

References:
Core
1. Милен Петров, Увод в програмирането (C/C++), Университетско издателство СУ „Св. Климент Охридски", 2012
2. Азълов П., Ф. Златарова, C++ в примери, задачи и приложения, Просвета, 2011
3. Крушков Х., Програмиране на C++, 1 част - въведение в програмирането, 2012
4. Тодорова М., Програмиране на C++, 1 част, СИЕЛА, 2010

5. Тодорова М., и колектив, Сборник от задачи по програмиране на С++, Първа част, Увод в програмирането, Технологика ООД, 2008
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Additional

1. Скот Майерс, Ефективен С++, ИК „ЗестПрес", София 2003
2. Денис Колисниченко. C / C++ - практическо програмиране в примери, Асеневци, 2017
3. John Keyser, Introduction to C++: Programming Concepts and Applications, Series: The Great Courses, Publisher: The Teaching Company, Year: 2019-08

On-line resources:

1. URL http://dlearning.swu.bg

INTRODUCTION IN INFORMATION SYSTEMS AND TECHNOLOGIES

Semester: I semester

Type of course: Lectures and tutorials in computer lab.

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours lectures and 2 hours tutorials in computer lab/FS

Credits numbers: 6.0 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Prof. Daniela Tuparova, PhD

Course Status: Core course in curriculum of major Information Systems and Technologies, bachelor's degree.

Course description: The course involves basic concepts such as information, data, knowledge, information system, business information systems, hardware and software components of IS etc. The problems related to ICT jobs, copyrights and law issues in ICT.

Objectives: The student should obtain basic knowledge in area of IT and IS:

Methods of teaching: lectures, tutorials, discussions, project-based method.

Pre-requirements: No (Introductory course)

Assessment and evaluation:
- Project - 50%
- Final Test - 50%

The course is successful completed with at least 51% of all scores.

Registration for the Course: not required (core course)

Registration for the Exam: coordinated with the lecturer and the Student Service Office

References:

1. К. Манев, И. Ланджев, С. Малешков, Р. Стайнов, П. Асенова, С. Боев, Е. Стоилов, В. Фурнаджиев, Г. Тупаров, М. Райкова, М. Иванов, С. Генчев, М. Николова, Основи на информатиката, НБУ, 2017
2. Ralph M. Stair, George W. Reynolds, Fundamentals of Information Systems, Sixth Edition, 2012 Course Technology, Cengage Learning
3. BRIAN K. WILLIAMS,| STACEY C. SAWYER, Using Information Technology. A Practical Introduction to Computers & Communications, McGraw-Hill, 2011
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COMPUTER MATHEMATICS 1

Semester: I semester

Course Type: lectures and lab exercises

Hours per Week: 2 lecture hours and 2 lab hours per week/FS

ECTS Credits: 6 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Ilinka Dimitrova, PhD

Course Status: Compulsory Course

Course Description: Computational Mathematics 1 (CM 1) is an up-to-date and useful scientific field - a set of theoretical, algorithmic and hardware programming tools designed to efficiently solve with the help of a computer mathematical problems with a high degree of visualization at each stage of the study of: sets and operations with them, elements of combinatorics, elements of analytical geometry - lines, planes, curves and surfaces of the second degree, elements of linear algebra – matrices, determinants, systems of linear equations, complex numbers and polynomials, functions of one variable. It aims to motivate and deepen students' knowledge of the possibilities of modern systems for computer mathematical calculations and visualization, as well as to build skills for independent modelling and solving applied mathematical problems using systems for mathematical calculations, providing speed, visibility and practical orientation of the course.

Course Objectives: Students should obtain knowledge and skills for computer solutions of mathematical problems using systems mathematical calculations.

Teaching Methods: lectures and lab exercises, discussions, practical work with mathematical computing systems WolframAlpha, Matlab, Mathematika, Maple, MathCad, Scilab, FreeMath, Maxima, Octave.

Requirements/Prerequisites: The assessment from current control is shaped by two control works developed using SCM, one course project and two home assignments. Students are admitted to the exam (written final test) minimum grade average / 3 / from current control. The final score takes into account the results of the current control (75%) and the score from the written exam (25%).

Registration for the Course: not necessary

Registration for the Exam: coordinated with lecturer and Student Service Department

GRAPHIC DESIGN

Semester: I semester

Course type: lectures and exercices

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours and 2 lab hours per week/FS

ECTS credits: 6.0 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Radoslava Kraleva, PhD

Course status: Fundamental Course in the Information Systems and Technologies, Bachelor of Science

Course description: The course aims to introduce students to the theoretical foundations of graphic design and its importance to information technology. Software for creating and editing raster and vector images are used to illustrate the studied theory. The knowledge that students will gain will help them create and edit various graphic objects, create graphic galleries, know the rules for good design, and can select appropriate colours and fonts. The course is adapted towards the students of the "Information Systems and Technologies" specialty, at South-West University "Neofit Rilski" Blagoevgrad. It is the basis of the courses in Graphic Design of Printed and Promotional Materials, Mathematical Foundations of Computer Graphics, and Mobile Applications Development.

Course objectives This course aims to provide students with knowledge and additional training in the theory and practice of graphic design. They will learn about the methods of digital image processing, how to create vector and raster graphics and animation.

Teaching methods: Lectures, demonstrations, work on project and teamwork.

Requirements: Needed basic knowledge of information technology.

Assessment: Evaluating the student shall be carried out on the sixth grad scale – 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. Evaluation of current control is obtained by taking the average of the assessment of coursework and paper. Students who have a minimum average estimate /3/ of the current control are not allowed to test the regular session. They must present additional development and evaluation after receiving at least medium /3/ be admitted to the written examination of supplementary or liquidation session. The final estimate is derived from the average of the current control and evaluation of the written exam.

Registration for the course: Not necessary.

Registration for the exam: Coordinated with the lecturer and Student Service Department.

References:

1. M. Monteiro (2012) "Design is a job", A Book Apart
2. P. Whitt (2016) "Pro Photo Colorizing with GIMP", Apress.
3. J. M. Ferreyra (2011) "GIMP 2.6 Cookbook", Packt Publishing.
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5. B. Hiitola (2016) "Inkscape 0.48 Starter", Packt Publishing.
6. M. Jurkovic R. Di Scala (2011) "Inkscape 0.48 Illustrator's Cookbook", Packt Publishing.
7. W. Jackson (2015) "Digital Illustration Fundamentals", Apress.
8. L. Mathis (2016) "Designed for Use", 2nd Edition, Pragmatic Programmers.
9. J. Shariat, and C. S. Saucier (2017) "Tragic Design", O'Reilly Media.
10. D. Walsh (2015) "2D Game Art", AtomicVertex.com.
11. J. DiMarco (2010) "Digital Design for Print and Web", Wiley.
12. N. Iliinky, J. Steele (2011) "Designing Data Visualizations", O'Reilly Media.
13. J. Jatz (2012) "Designing Information. Human factors and common sense in information design", Wiley.
14. P. Shirley, S. Marschner (2009) "Fundamentals of Computer Graphics", CRC Press.
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16. Ст. Малешков, В. Георгиев (2014) „Компютърна графика и фотореалистична визуализация", Нов български университет.
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ENGLISH LANGUAGE 1

Semester: I semester

Course type: Seminars

Hours (weekly): 2 hours per week/FS

Number of ECTS credits: 6

Department: Informatics

Instructor: Assist. Prof. Bogdan Filatov

Type of the course in the curriculum: Compulsory course in the "Information System and Technologies" B. S. Curriculum

Course description: The course in practical English for "Computer systems and technologies" is aimed at mastery of the basic language skills corresponding to the first level - Elementary. The course is starting construction of communicative competence as the ability to understand and draw meaningful oral and written statements in accordance with the rules of English. During the training, students expand and deepen their knowledge and language skills in English, acquired in high school, that build on old knowledge, assimilated and new learning material and form strategies for self-study and improvement. It is envisaged that during the absorption of specific pedagogical and technical terminology, which will allow students to navigate the English language literature. At the end of the course students should be able to listen, read and understand different texts in English to talk on specific topics, to express themselves orally and in writing their views on an issue.

Course goals: Familiarizing students with the peculiarities of speech presentation and etiquette dating in formal and informal environments. Presentation of the most common vocabulary related to everyday life, family, work, leisure. Learning the meaning and use of personal and possessive pronouns, the forms of the present simple tense, membership, and the formation of plural nouns. Absorption of some forms of speech etiquette: apology, congratulations, gratitude, etc.

Teaching methods: Seminars

Prerequisites: None

Examination and assessment procedures: Continuous assessment during the semester (two tests).

Course enrolment: Students should submit an application at the academic affairs department at the end of the current semester.

Registration for examination: coordinated with the lecturer and the academic affairs department.

References:

1. Soars, John & Liz, New Headway Elementary - fourth edition, Oxford University Press, 2011
2. Soars, John & Liz, New Headway Pre-Intermediate - fourth edition, Oxford University Press, 2012
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6. Carter, R., McCarty, M., Mark, G., O'Keeffe, A., English Grammar Today: An A-Z of Spoken and Written Grammar, Cambridge University Press, 2011

FIRST YEAR – II SEMESTER (COMPULSORY COURSES)

COMPUTER MATHEMATICS 2

Semester: II semester

Course Type: lectures and lab exercises

Hours per Week: 2 lecture hours and 2 lab hours per week/SS

ECTS Credits: 6 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Vasil Grozdanov, DSc

Course Status: Compulsory Course

Course Description: Computer mathematics 2 (CM 2) is a topical and useful scientific field - a set of theoretical, algorithmic and hardware programming tools designed to effectively solve with the help of a computer mathematical problems with a high degree of visualization at any stage of the study of integral and differential calculus, elements of higher algebra, number theory, analysis of algorithms. It aims to motivate and deepen students' knowledge of the possibilities of modern systems for computer mathematical calculations and visualization, as well as to build skills for independent modelling and solving applied mathematical problems using WolframAlpha and open-source mathematical computing systems, providing speed, visibility and practical orientation of the course.

Course Objectives: Students should obtain knowledge and skills for computer solutions of mathematical problems using systems mathematical calculations.

Teaching Methods: lectures, discussions, independent work, practical work with mathematical computing systems WolframAlpha, Matlab, Mathematika, Maple, MathCad, Scilab, FreeMath, Maxima, Octave.

Requirements/Prerequisites: Students should obtain knowledge and skills of Computer Mathematics 1, Introduction in Information Systems and Technologies, Fundamentals of Programming, Web Systems and Technologies

Assessment: The assessment from current control is shaped by two control works developed using SCM, one course project and two home assignments. Students are admitted to the exam (written final test) minimum grade average / 3 / from current control. The final assessment takes into account the results of the current control (75%) and the score from the written exam (25%).

Registration for the Course: not necessary

Registration for the Exam: coordinated with lecturer and Student Service Department

LANGUAGES AND PROGRAMMING ENVIRONMENTS

Semester: II semester

Course Type: lectures and labs

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours and 2 labs hours per week/SS

ECTS credits: 6.0 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Velin Kralev, PhD

Course Status: Compulsory Course in the Information System and Technologies B. S. Curriculum

Course Description: The course introduces students to some of the most commonly used modern languages for object-oriented programming, as well as the most commonly used modern environments for visual design and event-oriented programming. The aim of the course is to acquaint students with the basic principles of application development with modern programming languages and the principles of organization of the most popular development environments. The most important practical topics covered are related to basic software development tools, version control, basic language tools and libraries that are available and distributed within the relevant environments. The course looks at the capabilities of some of the modern programming languages, discussing approaches focused on object-oriented programming, including. inheritance and polymorphism, creation of event-oriented applications and other basic capabilities.

Course Aims: The aim of the course is to familiarize students with the principles of application development with modern programming languages and principles of the organization of the most popular development environments.

Teaching Methods: lectures, demonstrations, work on project and teamwork.

Requirements/Prerequisites: Needed basic knowledge of programming, operating systems, and computer architectures.

Assessment: written final exam

Registration for the Exam: coordinated with the lecturer and Student Service Department

References:

1. C++Builder Developer's Guide (2020). Retrieved from: docwiki.embarcadero.com/RADStudio/Rio/en/C%2B%2BBuilder_Developer%27s_Guide.
2. Windows Developer's Guide (2020). Retrieved from: docwiki.embarcadero.com/RADStudio/Rio/en/Windows_Developer%27s_Guide_Index
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4. Mike McGrath. C++ Programming in easy steps, 5th Edition. Easy Steps Limited, 2017.
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OBJECT-ORIENTED PROGRAMMING

Semester: II semester

Course Type: lectures and lab exercises

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours and 2 labs hours per week/SS

ECTS credits: 6 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Radoslav Mavrevski, PhD

Course Status: Fundamental course from the Information Systems and Technologies Bachelor Curriculum

Course Description: In the course students are introduced with methods and means of Object-oriented programming The course is providing basic knowledge in development of algorithms, their programming using particular programming language and running and testing of the programs under certain operation system. The structure and the main operational principles of the computer systems are given. The means and accuracy of information presentation are also considered. Some of the key classes of algorithms and data structures are studied. The main techniques of the structural approach of programming and their application using C++ programming language are introduced. The aim of the course is to teach the students the techniques in development of algorithms and programs using C++ programming language. The knowledge will be used in the general theoretical, technical and some special courses.

Course Objectives: Basic objectives and tasks:
- The students give knowledge for algorithm thinking;
- to give knowledge for methods and skills in Object-oriented programming in integrated development environment for visual programming;
- To give knowledge for methods and skills in programming.
- to give knowledge for good style in programming;
- to give knowledge for basic principles when develop applications

Teaching Methods: lectures, tutorials, group seminars or workshops, projects, and other methods.

Requirements/Prerequisites: The course is continued of the course "Introduction in programming".

Assessment: Evaluating the student shall be carried out on the sixth-grade scale. Current control is performed during the semester's laboratory sessions through two practical tests and one homework assignment. The course ends with a written exam on the material according to the attached syllabus. When shown a weak exam score, the student appears on the makeup exam and retains the information received from the coursework assessment.

Registration for the Course: not necessary.

Registration for the Exam: Coordinated with the lecturer and Student Service Department

References:
1. Майерс, Скот, По-ефективен С++: 35 начина да подобрите своите програми и проекти. София: 3еСТ Прес. ISBN 954-9341-03-8, 2004.
2. Meyers, S., Effective C++: 55 specific ways to improve your programs and designs, 3rd Edition. Addison-Wesley Professional. ISBN 978-0321334879, 2005.
3. Meyers, S., More effective C++: 35 new ways to improve your programs and designs. Addison-Wesley Professional. ISBN 978-0201633719, 1996.
4. Overland, Brian, C++ Without Fear: A Beginner's Guide That Makes You Feel Smart, 2nd Edition. Prentice Hall. ISBN 978-0132673266, 2011.
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6. Stroustrup, Bjarne, The C++ Programming Language, 4th Edition. Addison-Wesley. ISBN 978-0321563842, 2013.
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8. Vandevoorde, David; Josuttis, Nicolai M., C++ Templates: The Complete Guide. Addison-Wesley. ISBN 0201734842, 2002.

DATABASE

Semester: II semester

Course Type: lectures and exercises

Hours (weekly): 2 lecture hours and 2 hours exercises in computer lab/SS

ECTS Credits: 6.0 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Velin Kralev, PhD

Course Status: Compulsory course from the Curriculum.

Short Description: In the proposed curriculum, basic questions from the theory of "Databases" are considered, such as: conceptual model of databases - it includes the main tasks that solve the problems posed by the contracting authority; logical model of the database - includes the logical connections between the various data that are the basis of the developed database; physical model of the databases - represents their physical implementation (location, connections and information management).

Teaching Methods: lecture, discussion, exercises.

Requirements/Prerequisites: Knowledge of Mathematics and Programming.

Exam:
- Current control - 60% of the assessment
- Written exam - 40% of the grade

Registration for the course: Compulsory course

Registration for the exam: Coordinated with lecturer and Students Service Department

References:
Basic:
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2. Павел Азълов. Бази от данни. Релационен и обектен подход, техника, 1991 г.
3. Юлиана Пенева, Бази от данни. I част. София, ИК "Регалия " 6, 2003 г.
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5. S. K. Singh. Sing Database Systems: Concepts, Design and Applications, 2009, Pearson India.
6. Rex Hogan. (2018) A Practical Guide to Database Design, CRC Press, USA.

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2. Мейер Д.р Теория релационных баз данных. Издательство "Мир". 1987.
3. Vidya Vrat Agarwal, Beginning C Sharp 5.0 Databases, 2012 New York Press.
4. Alapati and Bill Padfield, Expert Indexing in Oracle Database, 2011, New York Press.
5. Henry H. Liu, Oracle Database Performance and Scalability A Quantitative Approach, 2011 A Jon Wiley and Son, US.

WEB DESIGN

Semester: II semester

Course Type: lectures and lab exercises

Hours per week: 2 lectures and 2 lab hours per week/SS

ECTS credits: 6.0 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Radoslava Kraleva, PhD

Course Status: Compulsory Course in the Information Systems and Technologies in Bachelor of Science Curriculum

Description: The proposed curriculum, issues, and techniques in the field of modern web systems and technologies. Presented are techniques related to the construction of static and dynamic web pages, and their integration into comprehensive sites. Consider the following topics: Introduction to Web technology; Introduction to the language HTML. HTML document structure; Types of symbols and their formatting. Structuring and shaping of texts. Lists; Use of multimedia objects and formatting in HTML with CSS. Designing a logo; Creating and layout of tables with HTML and CSS; Working with containers. Positioning objects. Align Objects, Selection of colors. Color schemes. Fonts and Typography. Textures; Creating web forms; Hyperlinks. Maps of images. Anchors. Menus; JavaScript and JQuery. XML; Creating web graphics in a browser; Adaptive web design. Design Principles of the Web interface; Web services, blogs, and social networks. Databases on the web; Semantic web and metadata.

Course Aims: The course aims to provide students with a comprehensive idea about the structure and capabilities of modern web technologies. Free to use the terminology and have practical experience in the development of static websites.
After completion of the course students should be able to:
- Use language HTML, XHTML, CSS, and through them to create Web sites.
- Knowledge of current development environments for the Web.

Teaching Methods: Lectures, demonstrations, exercises and project work.

Requirements/Prerequisites: Needed basic knowledge of information technology.

Assessment: Evaluating the student shall be carried out on the sixth grad scale – 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. Evaluation of current control is obtained by taking the average of the assessment of coursework and tasks solved during the semester. Students who have a minimum average estimate /3/ of the current control are not allowed to test the regular session. They must present additional development and evaluation after receiving at least medium /3/ be admitted to the written examination of supplementary or liquidation session. The final estimate is derived from the average of the current control and evaluation of the written exam.

Registration for the Course: Not necessary

Registration for the Exam: Coordinated with the lecturer and Student Service Department

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7. Jörg Krause, *Introducing Web Development*, Apress, 2016
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12. Clarissa Peterson, *Learning Responsive Web Design*, O'Reilly Media, 2014
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SECOND YEAR – III SEMESTER (COMPULSORY COURSES)

EXPERT SYSTEMS

Semester: III semester

Type of Course: Lectures and tutorials in computer lab

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours and 2 hours tutorials in computer lab/FS

Credits Number: 6,0 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Irena Atanasova, PhD

Course Status: Compulsory.

Course description: The course "Expert Systems" aims to acquaint students with the basic theoretical and practical knowledge of the structure, characteristics and tools for developing expert systems.
For a better understanding of the presentation, preliminary preparation in the basics of informatics, mathematical logic and programming languages is necessary.
The content is structured in a way to clarify the basic concepts and characteristics of artificial intelligence systems; the main methods of presenting and using knowledge; the architecture and classification of expert systems; examples of successfully operating expert systems and the tools and environments that can be used to create them; the technology for creating expert systems; uncertainty representation methods, for plausible inference and machine learning in expert systems. The course is supported by numerous examples that can serve as models for solving practical problems.

Objectives: The course aims to provide new knowledge related to the ways of modeling and representing knowledge and the creation of expert systems. Emphasis is placed on the preparation of a final finished product including all necessary applications to it.

Methods of teaching: lectures, tutorials, discussions, project-based method.

Pre- requirements: C++ programming

Assessment and Evaluation
- Tutorial - 70%
- Final Test - 30%

The course is successful completed with at least 51% of all scores.

Registration for the Course: not required (core course)

Registration for the Exam: coordinated with the lecturer and the Student Service Office

References

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ALGORITHMS IN GRAPHS

Semester: III semester

Course Type: lectures and labs

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours and 2 laboratory hours per week/FS

ECTS credits: 6.0 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Velin Kralev, PhD

Course Status: Compulsory Course in the Information System and Technologies B. S. Curriculum

Course Description: In this course are considered some elements of the following main topics: introduction in graph theory (essential concepts and definitions. modeling with graphs and networks, data structures for networks and graphs; computational complexity; heuristics; tree algorithms (spanning tree algorithms. variations of the minimum spanning tree problem. branchings and arborescences); shortest-path algorithms (types of shortest-path problems and algorithms, shortest- paths from a single source, all shortest-path algorithms, the k- shortest-path algorithm, other shortest paths).

Course Aims: Students should obtain basic knowledge and skills for solving optimization problems for graphs and networks.

Teaching Methods: lectures, demonstrations, problem solving.

Requirements/Prerequisites: needed basic knowledge of programming, data structures, databases, and other.

Assessment: written final exam

Registration for the Course: not necessary

Registration for the Exam: coordinated with the lecturer and Student Service Department

References:

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3. James R. Evans, Edward Minieka. Optimization Algorithms for Networks and Graphs, 2nd Edition. New York, 1992.
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9. Lih-Hsing Hsu , Cheng-Kuan Lin, Graph Theory and Interconnection Networks. 1420044818;

INTERNET TECHNOLOGIES

Semester: III semester

Course Type: lectures and tutorials in a computer lab.

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours and 2 laboratory hours per week/FS

ECTS credits: 6 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Nadezhda Borisova, PhD

Course Status: A core course in the curriculum of major IST, bachelor's degree.

Course Description: The course is an introduction to the design of Web-based Internet/Intranet information systems based on Oracle Application Express technology.

Course Objectives The student should obtain knowledge of:
- Design of Internet/Intranet Web-based information systems.
- Practical aspects of Internet/Intranet Web-based information systems development.

Teaching Methods: lectures, tutorials, discussions, project-based method.

Requirements: Database systems (core course), Web Design (core course)

Assessment:
- Project- 50%

- Final Test- 50%

The course is successfully completed with at least 51% of all scores.

Registration for the Exam: coordinated with the lecturer and the Student Service Office

References:

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ENGLISH LANGUAGE 2

Semester: II semester

Course Type: seminars

Hours per week: 2 hours per week/FS

ECTS credits: 6.0 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assist. Prof. Bogdan Filatov

Course Status: Compulsory Course in the Information System and Technologies B. S. Curriculum

Course Description: The English language course – part II aims at mastering and improving the skills and knowledge, acquired during the first part of the course. The students become acquainted with advanced grammatical categories and verb tenses like Past Continuous Tense, Present Perfect Continuous Tenses, Past Perfect Tense, modal verbs, Reported Speech, etc. The course widens the lexical scope that is taught, and emphasizes its practical application in translations, essays, discussions. Via suitable English-Bulgarian and Bulgarian-English translations the students practice the new lexis and learn technical terms from the sphere of computer science and information technologies.

Course Goals: The goals of the course are to enable students to speak and write effectively and confidently in their professional and personal lives. Students become acquainted with the basic terminology in the specific field.

Teaching Methods: Seminars

Requirements/Prerequisites: Elementary level of English language competence

Assessment: Continuous assessment during the semester (two tests)

Registration for the Course: not necessary

Registration for the Exam: coordinated with the lecturer and Student Service Department

References:

1. Soars, John & Liz, New Headway Elementary - fourth edition, Oxford University Press, 2011
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3. Raymond Murphy, English Grammar in Use, fourth edition with answers, Cambridge University Press, 2012
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SECOND YEAR – III SEMESTER (OPTIONAL COURSES)

OPERATIONS RESEARCH

Semester: III semester

Course Type: lectures and exercises

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours and 2 exercises hours per week/FS

ECTS credits: 6.0

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Prof. Stefan Stefanov, PhD

Course Status: Optional course in Information systems and technologies BSc Curriculum.

Course Description: The course in Operations Research includes the following main topics: basic concepts in Operations Research; deterministic models, models with uncertainty and stochastic models, especially the facility location (production planning) problem in deterministic and stochastic version; stochastic programming and stochastic quasigradient methods; dynamic programming and Bellman's principle of optimality; the concept of algorithm, algorithmic (computational) complexity and NP-hard problems; discrete (including integer) optimization problems and network optimization; scheduling theory; queueing theory; game models, matrix game theory and the relationship between matrix game theory and linear programming; decision making theory; fuzzy sets and their application to decision making and management; multi-objective (vector) optimization and Pareto optimality; Markov processes (discrete and continuous); the concept of Monte-Carlo methods and their applications. Software for solving some of the problems under consideration will also be demonstrated.

Course Objectives: Students should obtain knowledge about basic results and methods for studying various real objects, events, phenomena, etc. by using mathematical methods and computes.

Teaching Methods: lectures and tutorials

Requirements/Prerequisites: Numerical Analysis, Mathematical Optimization

Assessment: written final exam on two theoretical topics (grade weight is 40 %); two projects (grade weight is 60 %).

Registration for the Course: by request at the end of the previous academic year

Registration for the Exam: coordinated with lecturer and Student Service Department

References:

Basic Titles:

1. E. S. Vencel – „Operations Research: Problems, Principles, Methodology", 3-rd ed., Knorus, Moscow, 2014.
2. Yu. P. Zaichenko – "Operations Research", Slovo, Kiev, 2003.
3. S. M. Stefanov – "Quantitative Methods of Management", 2003 (in Bulgarian).

Additional Titles:

4. Hamdy A. Taha – „Operations Research. An Introduction", 10-th ed., Pearson, USA, 2017.
5. S. M. Stefanov – "Separable Optimization. Theory and Methods", Springer, New York, 2021.

PROGRAMMING WITH VBA

Semester: III semester

Course Type: lectures and exercises

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours and 2 exercises hours per week/FS

ECTS Credits: 6 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Nadezhda Borisova, PhD

Course Status: An elective course in the curriculum of major Information Systems and Technologies, bachelor's degree.

Course description: The course examines the possibility of programming in Microsoft Office based on the Visual Basic for Applications (VBA) language built into Office applications. Students will learn basic methods for creating VBA-macros, allowing one to extend the possibilities of MS Word, MS Excel and MS PowerPoint applications and to solve specific tasks in the environment of the Office package. Tasks to create a user-friendly interface will also be covered.

Objectives: The purpose of the course is for students to become familiar with the basic concepts of calculations in MS Excel, to acquire skills in creating macros and algorithmizing tasks in the product, and to be able to compile programs in the Visual Basic for Application (VBA) language.

Teaching Methods: lectures, tutorials, discussions, project-based method.

Requirements: Basic knowledge of Informational Technologies and Programming.

Assessment:
*   Project- 50%
*   Final Test- 50%

The course is successfully completed with at least 51% of all scores.

Registration for the Course: by request at the end of the current semester

Registration for the Exam: coordinated with the lecturer and the Student Service Office

References:
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2. Blanco, G. (2020). Recode In VBA: Learn to Automate Excel by Programming a Fully Functional Model.. United States: Holler Data LLC.
3. Sanchez, E. N. (2022). Programming PowerPoint with VBA Straight to the Point. United States: Holy Macro! Books.
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COMPUTER GAMES

Semester: III semester

Course Type: seminars and laboratory exercises

Hours per week: 1 seminar hour and 3 laboratory hours per week/FS

ECTS credits: 6.0 credits

Department: Informatics

Instructor: Assist. Prof. Dimiter Chakalov

Course Status: Optional Course in Bachelor of Information systems and technology

Course Description: The course introduces students to the C# programming language and the Unity platform, with the help of which 2D and 3D games will be developed. Also see the basic principles of video game design. Object-oriented programming is also covered.

Course Objectives: Students should obtain basic knowledge and skills for developing computer games.

Teaching Methods: seminars and laboratory exercises

Requirements/Prerequisites: Basic knowledge and skills in computer programming.

Assessment: written final exam

Registration for the Course: by request at the end of the previous academic year

Registration for the Exam: coordinated with lecturer and Student Service Department

References:
1. Joseph Hocking (2022) "Unity in Action: Multiplatform Game Development in C#", Manning Publications
2. Harrison Ferrone (2022) "Learning C# by Developing Games with Unity", Packt Publishing
3. Paris Buttfield-Addison (2018) "Unity Game Development Cookbook", O'Reilly

4. Jeremy Gibson Bond (2022), "Introduction to Game Design, Prototyping, and Development", Addison-Wesley Professional

5. Colleen Macklin, John Sharp (2016), "Games, Design and Play: A detailed approach to iterative game design", Addison-Wesley Professional

6. Tracy Fullerton (2018), "Game Design Workshop: A Playcentric Approach to Creating Innovative Games", A K Peters

7. Jesse Schell (2019), "The Art of Game Design: A Book of Lenses", A K Peters

8. Raph Kostet (2013), "Theory of Fun for Game Design", O'Reilly

SECOND YEAR – IV SEMESTER (COMPULSORY COURSES)

E-COMMERCE

Semester: IV semester

Course Type: lectures and laboratory exercises

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours and 2 laboratory hours per week/SS

ECTS credits: 6.0 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Nadezhda Borisova, PhD

Course Status: A core course in the curriculum of major IST, bachelor's degree.

Course description: The course is an introduction to e-business and information systems.

Objectives: The student should obtain knowledge of:
- The specifics of the most common e-commerce and information systems technologies.
- Electronic document circulation.

Methods of teaching: lectures, tutorials, discussions, project-based method.

Pre-requirements: "Databases" and "Internet technologies" (core courses)

Assessment and Evaluation:
- Project- 50%
- Final Test- 50%

The course is successfully completed with at least 51% of all scores.

Registration for the Exam: coordinated with the lecturer and the Student Service Office

References:
1. E-Commerce. (2020): Ajit Singh.
2. Laudon, K. C., Traver, C. G. (2020). E-commerce: Business, Technology, Society. Brazil: Pearson.
3. A Handbook on E-Commerce. (2023): Lakshyavedh Publications.
4. Essentials of E-commerce by Dr. Sandeep Srivastava Er. Meera Goyal, Er. Nishit Mathur - (English): SBPD Publications. (2020). (n.p.): SBPD Publications.
5. Moving Businesses Online and Embracing E-commerce: Impact and Opportunities Caused by COVID-19. (2021). United States: IGI Global.

OPERATION SYSTEMS

Semester: IV semester

Type of Course: lectures and exercises in computer lab

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours and 2 hours exercises in computer lab/SS

ECTS credits: 6 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Radoslav Mavrevski, PhD

Course Status: Compulsory course.

Course description: The course is an introduction to the area of operation systems. Basic knowledge and skills in Linux and Microsoft Windows are covered. C programs and Bash scripts are also made for process management and file system operation. The topics of input and output organization, disk planning, file system organization are a required part of any operating systems course.

Objectives:
> The student should obtain knowledge of:
- Basic principles of operation systems.
- Basic administration skills in area of operation systems.

Methods of teaching: lectures, tutorials, discussions.

Pre- requirements: Computer architectures, Database systems

Assessment and Evaluation
- Pre-exam test – 50%
- Final Test - 50%

The course is **successful completed** with at least 51% of all scores.

Registration for the Course: Compulsory course

Registration for the Exam: coordinated with the lecturer and the Student Service Office

References
1. Лилян Николов, Операционни системи, ИК "Сиела", София, 2009.
2. Thomas Anderson, Michael Dahlin, Operating Systems: Principles and Practice, Volume 4, Amazon Media EU, United States, 2015.
3. Operating Systems: Three Easy Pieces. Remzi H. Arpaci-Dusseau, Andrea C. Arpaci-Dusseau., CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform, USA, 2020.

MATHEMATICAL LOGIC

Semester: IV semester

Course type: Lectures and seminars

Hours (weekly): 2 lecture hours and 2 seminar hours per week/SS

Number of ECTS credits: 6

Department: Informatics

Type of the course in the curriculum: Compulsory course from the curriculum of the "Information Systems and Technology" bachelor's degree program

Course description: The course in mathematical logic aims to teach the basic concepts and results of propositional and predicate logic and propositional and predicate calculus. It deals with concrete first-order theories.

Goal: The course in mathematical logic is aimed at introducing students to the development of concepts and methods of mathematical logic within the context of development in mathematics.

Teaching methods: lectures, demonstrations, problem solving.

Prerequisites: The acquired knowledge is useful.

Examination and assessment procedures: The estimation of the acquired knowledge is based on a written exam which consists of problem solving and theoretical knowledge examination (writing on a topic from the syllabus provided to students)

Course enrolment: Students should submit an application at the academic affairs department at the end of the current semester.

Registration for examination: coordinated with the lecturer and the academic affairs department

References:
Basic
1. Введение в математическиую логику, Е. Менделсон, "Наука", Москва 1976.
2. Сказки по логика, С.Паси и колектив, УИ "Кл. Охридски", София 1990.
3. Принцесса или тигр?, Р. Смаллиан, "Мир", Москва 1985.

Additional
1. A concept of logic, Seventh edition. Hurley, Springer, 2009, http://ihtik.lib.ru/2012.03_ ihtik_mathematic/
2. Set Theory and Logic, Robert Roth Stoll, Springer 2009.
3. Applied Computer Science, Shane Torbert, 2011.
4. Concise Guide to Computation Theory, Akira Maruoka, 2011.

5. How to Solve It: A New Aspect of Mathematical Method, George Pólya, 2008.

PROTECTION OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Semester: IV semester

Type of Course: Lectures

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours/SS

Credits Numbers: 3,0 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Manol Stanin, PhD

Course Status: Compulsory.

Course description: The discipline emphasizes the legal aspects related to the protection of intellectual property. Topics related to the essence, subject and place of the protection of intellectual property in modern technological relations and law, the stages of the historical development of the protection of objects of intellectual property, as well as the various types of legal sources forming the right of intellectual property are examined. Both the subjects and the objects of intellectual property law are studied. In the lectures, attention is paid to inventions, the patents with which they are protected, copyright as a way to protect works of science, literature and art, authorship of various types of software products and databases, digitization, various networks, software, computer programs, Internet piracy and e-commerce, etc.

Objectives: The course aims to give students basic knowledge in the field of intellectual property protection in a systematized form.

Methods of teaching: lectures, discussions

Pre- requirements: Introduction to IST

Assessment and Evaluation
- Tutorial - 70%
- Final Test - 30%

The course is successful completed with at least 51% of all scores.

Registration for the Course: not required (core course)

Registration for the Exam: coordinated with the lecturer and the Student Service Office

References
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7. Саракинов, Г. Авторско право и сродните му права в Република България, - 6. пре-раб. и доп. изд., Сиби, С. 2009.

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9. Марков, Е. За титулите на интелектуалната собственост – в сб: Актуални проблеми на трудовото и осигурителното право. Юбилеен сборник в памет на професор Любо-мир Радоилски, Университетско издателство "Св. Климент Охридски", С. 2011.

SECOND YEAR – IV SEMESTER (OPTIONAL COURSES)

PROGRAMMING IN PYTHON

Semester: IV semester

Course Type: lectures and lab exercises

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours and 2 lab hours per week/SS

ECTS credits: 6.0 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Prof. Daniela Tuparova, PhD

Course Status: Optional Course in Bachelor of Science Curriculum of Information Systems and Technologies

Course description: The Python Programming course will introduce students to techniques and approaches to solving programming problems using the Python programming language. The course introduces fundamental aspects of Python programming such as numeric and string data types, operators, expressions, control structures, functions, methods, objects, and classes. The course also includes application of Object-Oriented Principles (OOP) in Python such as class abstraction and encapsulation, inheritance, polymorphism and exception handling. A variety of data structures are covered, including lists, tuples, sets, and dictionaries. File manipulation techniques, data format and encoding, and regular expressions are described. Using demo programs, the syntax and semantics of the Python programming language will be illustrated.

Objectives: The student should obtain basic knowledge in area of solving problems with Python programming language. Each student should acquire practical skills to implement basic programming techniques using the Python programming language.

Methods of teaching: lectures, tutorials, discussions, project-based method.

Pre - requirements: No

Assessment and Evaluation:
- Project- 50%
- Final Test- 50%

The course is successful completed with at least 51 % of all scores.

Registration for the Course: The students apply in Department of Informatics

Registration for the Exam: coordinated with the lecturer and the Student Service Office

References:

Core
1. Y.Daniel Liang, Introduction to Programming Using Python, Pearson IE, Prentice Hall, 1e, 2013.
2. Lambert K.A., Fundamentals of Python, Cengage Learning, IE, 2012.

Additional
1. http://docs.python.org/3.5/tutorial
2. www.w3resource.com
3. learnpython.org
4. www.python.org

On-line resources
6. URL http://dlearning.swu.bg

GRAPHIC DESIGN OF PRINTED AND PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS

Semester: IV semester

Course Type: lectures and lab exercises

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours and 2 lab hours per week/SS

ECTS credits: 6.0 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Radoslava Kraleva, PhD

Course Status: Optional Course in Bachelor of Science Curriculum of Information Systems and Technologies

Course Description: The course is a practical introduction to desktop publishing systems. Students learn the best practices in the development of print and electronic materials, such as brochures, leaflets, posters, magazines, newspapers and more. Studied are the principles of working with the software used in publishing. Discussed are typical problems in the field of publishing and advertising activities.

The course prepares students for the future development of different types of designs of promotional materials, web sites and more.

Course Objectives This course aims to provide students with knowledge and additional training in the theory and practice of publishing systems. They will learn about the methods of digital image processing, how to create vector graphics and prepress of promotional materials with different purposes.

Teaching Methods: Lectures, demonstrations, work on project and teamwork.

Requirements: Needed basic knowledge of operating systems, information technology, graphics editors and working with multimedia files.

Assessment: Evaluating the student shall be carried out in the sixth grad scale – 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. Evaluation of current control is obtained by taking the average of the assessment of coursework and paper. Students who have a minimum average estimate /3/ of the current control is not allowed to test the regular session. They must present additional development and evaluation after receiving at least medium /3/ be admitted to the written examination of supplementary or liquidation session. The final estimate is derived from the average of the current control and evaluation of the written exam.

Registration for the Course: Submitted an application to the academic department at the end of the current semester.

Registration for the Exam: Coordinated with the lecturer and Student Service Department.

References:

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2. John McWade (2005) *Before & after graphics for Business*, Peachpit Press.
3. Roger C. Parker (2006) *Design to Sell: Use Microsoft® Publisher to Plan, Write and Design Great Marketing Pieces*, Microsoft Press.
4. Brian P. Lawler (2005) *Official Adobe Print Publishing Guide, Second Edition: The Essential Resource for Design, Production, and Prepress*, Adobe Press.
5. Elizabeth Eisner Reding (2013) *Microsoft Publisher 2013: Illustrated*, Cengage Learning Publishing
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CODING THEORY AND COMBINATORICS

Semester: IV semester

Course Type: Lectures and exercises

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours and + 2 hours exercises per week/SS

ECTS credits: 6 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Yuri Borisov, PhD and Miroslav Markov, PhD

Course Status: Optional course

Course Description: The course starts with the introduction of the main notions of the Coding theory – error-correcting codes, Hamming distance, code parameters and equivalency of codes. Then the necessary algebraic background (finite fields and vector spaces over finite fields) is developed and encoding and decoding with linear codes (including syndrome decoding) are studied. In the cryptographic part the classical ciphers are considered and followed by the modern systems for secret and public keys.

Course Objectives Obtaining knowledge of the theoretical backgrounds and practical abilities for applications of Coding theory and cryptography. Development of abilities for work with (linear) codes over finite field with special emphasis of their algebraic and combinatorial properties.

Teaching Methods: lectures, discussions, practical exercises of the codes under consideration

Requirements: The students must have a basic knowledge from the Number theory and algebra.

Assessment: permanent control during the semester (two written exams) and exam in the semester's end in two parts – problems solving and answering theoretical questions.

Registration for the Course: by application in the Educational Office at the end of the previous academic year.

Registration for the Exam: up to agreement with the teacher and the Educational Office.

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DISCRETE MATHEMATICS

Semester: IV semester

Form of the course: lectures and exercises

Hours (per week): 2 lecture hours and 2 exercises per week/SS

Credits: 6 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Stela Bancheva, PhD

Status of the course in the educational plan: Optional course in the Information Systems and technologies Bachelor Curriculum

Description of the course: The discrete mathematics course is the mathematical basis of modern information technology. Builds basic knowledge related to mathematical tools and model analysis in the field of information processing, automated control systems, information and computer systems and technologies, mathematical logic, digital signal processing, etc. The course studies the basics of set theory, combinatorics, relations, functions and images, graphs, binary functions, in terms of which a very large part of the problems related to discrete objects are formulated.

Course Aims: The aim of the course in Discrete Mathematics is to acquaint students with the basic concepts and methods of sets, combinatorics, Boolean functions, relations; mastering the mathematical apparatus for solving computer science problems, forming practical habits for formalization and solving applied problems using the methods of discrete mathematics; formation of terminological and conceptual basis necessary for independent study of mathematical literature and development of logical thinking.

Teaching Methods: lectures, seminars, discussions, practical work.

Requirements/Prerequisites: Basic knowledge in Mathematics.

Exam: The assessment from the ongoing control is shaped by two control works. Students are admitted to the exam (written final test) minimum grade average /3.00/ from current control.

The final score takes into account the results of the current control (70%) and the score from the written exam (30%).

Registration for the course: at the end of the previous academic year

Registration for exam: coordinated with the lecturer and Students Service Department.

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WEB MINING

Semester: IV semester

Type of Course: Lectures and tutorials in computer lab

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours and 2 hours tutorials in computer lab/SS

Credits Numbers: 6,0 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Irena Atanasova, PhD

Course Status: Elective.

Course description: This course introduces students to the automated collection of data from websites and social media. Students get to know basic concepts of web mining for different science areas research and learn to use tools that enable them to compile their own data sets from web sources.

The main goal of the course is to enable students to conduct automated data collection from web sources on their own. Students get familiar with the advantages and disadvantages of extracting information from the Internet for scientific research. Finally, students get an opportunity to think about science research questions with respect to human behavior that is particularly observable on the web (i.e., in social media, blogs, etc.).

Objectives: Students will know the basic concepts of contemporary web technologies relevant for web data mining.

- Students will know how to apply the relevant R packages to effectively and efficiently collect data from different types of web sources.
- Students understand the basic ethical and legal aspects of web data collection for research purposes.
- Students understand different theoretical procedures of web data collection such as snowball sampling and how to implement/apply them in a simple context.

Methods of teaching: lectures, tutorials, discussions, project-based method.

Pre- requirements: C++ programming

Assessment and Evaluation
- Tutorial - 70%
- Final Test - 30%

The course is successful completed with at least 51% of all scores.

Registration for the Course: required (elective course)

Registration for the Exam: coordinated with the lecturer and the Student Service Office

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NORMS AND STANDARDS OF INFORMATION SECURITY

Semester: 4 semester

Course Type: lectures

Hours (weekly): 2 lecture hours per week/SS

ECTS Credits: 3 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Chief Assist. Prof. Ivo Damyanov, PhD

Course Status: Optional course from the Information Systems and Technologies Bachelor Curriculum.

Course description: The development of e-business requires secure infrastructure. Adopting a policy of compliance with world standards allows companies and organizations to implement best practices. Information systems protection requires special regulations. Therefore criteria, standards, and in some cases, legislation on information security are set up. This ensures an adoption of best practices and adequate level of information security.

Course Objectives: Students gain knowledge and skills to cope with every day and specific tasks related to the implementation of norms and standards related to information security. Get acquainted with the various policies and regulations for information security.

Teaching Methods: Lectures, demonstrations, work on project and teamwork.

Requirements/Prerequisites: Needed basic knowledge of operating systems, programming, computer architectures, computer networks and communications.

Assessment: written final exam

Course enrolment: Students should apply at the academic affairs department at the end of the current semester.

References:
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CRISES AND DISASTERS

Semester: IV semester

Course Type: Seminar

Hours per week: 2 seminar hours per week/SS

ECTS credits: 3.0 credits

Department: Informatics

Instructor: Part-time Assist. Prof. Todor Cholakov

Course Status: Optional Course in Bachelor of Science Curriculum of Information Systems and Technologies

Course Description: Teaching in the discipline includes studying the main types of natural disasters, accidents, and mass catastrophes. The ways of managing crises of a mass nature, the means of protection, and providing first aid to injured people.

Aims of discipline: Students should learn about the main types of natural disasters, the ways to manage crises of a mass nature, and the means of protecting people, computer and other electronic systems necessary for management.

Teaching methods: Practice demonstration.

Advance conditions: Desirable on anatomy, ecology, and resources for electric truck management.

Appraisement: Written examination.

Registration for the Course: Submitted an application to the academic department at the end of the current semester.

Registration for the Exam: Coordinated with the lecturer and Student Service Department.

References:

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Additional reading:

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ACADEMIC WRITING

Semester: IV semester

Course Type: Lectures

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours per week/SS

ECTS credits: 3.0 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Radoslava Kraleva, Ph.D.

Course Status: Optional Course in Bachelor of Science Curriculum of Information Systems and Technologies

Course Description: The course is an introduction to the preparation, writing and design of various types of scientific papers, such as posters and articles. The methodology of writing a bachelor thesis, which contains the formulation of the goal and objectives, collection, and processing of bibliographic information, creating a methodology and conducting research, is given the primary attention. The guidelines on the stylistic formulation of the analysis and the obtained results are included. The ways to the software design and development are discussed as part of the bachelor thesis in the Informatics and Computer Science area. The ways to present science works are explained. The correct citation and different style formatting of the science bibliography are discussed.

Course Objectives: This course aims to provide students with theoretical and practical knowledge related to academic writing.

Teaching Methods: The lectures are illustrated with presentations and practical tasks that demonstrate the way of applying the teaching material.

Requirements: Needed basic knowledge of operating systems, information technology, graphics editors and working with multimedia files.

Assessment: The assessment is based on an exam test after the end of the course. During the course, the students should be doing various practical tasks, the evaluation of that participate in the final assessment.

Registration for the Course: Applied to the academic department at the end of the current semester.

Registration for the Exam: Coordinated with the lecturer and Student Service Department.

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THIRD YEAR – V SEMESTER (COMPULSORY COURSES)

SYNTHESIS AND ANALYSIS OF ALGORITHMS

Semester: V semester

Course Type: lectures and tutorials

Classes (weekly): 2 lecture hours and 2 hours exercises /FS

ECTS Credits: 6.0

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Radoslav Mavrevski, PhD

Course Status: Compulsory course from the Computer Science Master Curriculum.

Short Description: The course introduces students to the basic elements of algorithm theory and their complexity. Special attention is given to the question of analysis of algorithms concerning their various aspects. The considered algorithms for different classes of tasks allow students to take the next step: to construct (synthesize) new algorithms for specific tasks assigned to them.

Teaching Methods: lecture, exercises, discussion.

Requirements/Prerequisites: Knowledge in Mathematics.

Exam:
- Current control - 60% of the assessment
- Written exam - 40% of the grade

Registration for the course: no

Registration for the exam: Coordinated with lecturer and Students Service Department

References:
Basic references
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NETWORK AND SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION

Semester: V semester

Course Type: lectures and labs

Hours (weekly): 2 lecture hours and 2 labs hours per week/FS

ECTS Credits: 6.0 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Chief Assist. Prof. Ivo Damyanov, PhD

Course Status: Compulsory course from the Information Systems and Technologies Bachelor Curriculum.

Course Description: In this course are discussed the basic actions and problems related to network and systems administration of Linux and Windows based systems. The course is aimed at providing the necessary skills needed to perform nearly all important administration activities required to manage a Linux and Windows network and systems configuration, the basic setup and management of the most commonly used Internet services.

Course Objectives: The course is aimed at introducing to students the common concepts in network and systems administration by discussing the basic activities regarding the administration of a Linux and Windows network configuration.

Teaching Methods: Lectures, demonstrations, work on project and teamwork.

Requirements/Prerequisites: Needed basic knowledge of operating systems, programming, computer architectures, computer networks and communications.

Assessment: written final exam

Registration for the Course: the course is compulsory

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THEORETICAL FOUNDATIONS OF INFORMATICS

Semester: V semester

Course type: lectures and seminars

Hours (weekly): 2 lecture hours and 1 seminar hour per week/FS

Number of ECTS credits: 4.5

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Stela Bancheva, PhD

Type of the course in the curriculum: Compulsory course from the curriculum of the "Information Systems and Technologies" bachelor's degree program

Course description: It deals with the theory of algorithms.

Goal: The course in Theoretical foundations of informatics aims to introduce students to the basic concepts and results of the theory of algorithms.

Teaching methods: lectures, demonstrations, problem solving.

Prerequisites: The acquired knowledge is useful in theory of algorithms.

Examination and assessment procedures:

The estimation of the acquired knowledge is based on a written exam which consists of problem solving and theoretical knowledge examination (writing on a topic from the syllabus provided to students)

The final grade includes the assessment of the students' progress throughout a course of study (30 %) plus the examination at the end of it (70 %).

Course enrolment: Students should submit an application at the academic affairs department at the end of the current semester.

Registration for examination: coordinated with the lecturer and the academic affairs department

References:
Basic
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2. Вычислимость введение в теорию рекурсивнмх функний, Н. Катленд, "Мир", Москва 1983.
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COMPUTER ARCHITECTURES

Semester: V semester

Form of the course: Lectures and lab exercises

Hours (per week): 2 lecture hours and 1 hour exercises per week/FS

Credits: 4.5 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Liudmila Taneva, PhD

Status of the course in the educational plan: Compulsory Course in the Information System and Technologies B. S. Curriculum

Description of the course: The course covers the advanced computer systems, their programming and functional model, introduce information in computer organization and memory types (major, operational, permanent, outdoor, etc.), system interruptions, features and technology solutions, conveyor ADP modes, system bus (types and structures), some problems of modern computer architectures (RISC, parallel and multiprocessor computer systems).

Scope of the course: Obtaining knowledge of a systematic overview of the modern computer architecture, systems to form the theoretical and practical basis for better understanding of the work of computers to acquire skills in programming in assembly language.

Methods: discussions, practical exercises of the codes under consideration

Preliminary requirements: The students must have basic knowledge of mathematics.

Evaluation: permanent control during the semester (two written exams) and final exam.

Registration for the course: by application in the Educational Office

Registration for exam: up to agreement with the teacher and the Educational Office

Literature:

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2.   Боровска Пламенка, Компютърни системи, второ преработено издание, Сиела, София, 2007
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SOFTWARE QUALITY ASSURANCE

Semester: V semester

Course Type: lectures and tutorials

Hours (weekly): 1 lecture hour and 2 labs hours per week/FS

ECTS Credits: 4.5 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Chief Assist. Prof. Ivo Damyanov, PhD

Course Status: Compulsory course from the Information Systems and Technologies Bachelor Curriculum.

Course Description: The course considers the role of QA in the process of software development. The course covers basic ideas, views and major trends on the concept of software quality regarding to standards. Various QA methods such as White Boxes, Black Boxes, Gray Boxes are introduced as well as principles, stages and types of software testing. Various tools for automated testing and bug tracking platforms are studied. Some metrics statistical and probabilistic methods and approaches for assessing the quality of the software product are introduced.

Course Objectives: The course aims to expand the training of students majoring in "CST" in the field of quality control software.

Teaching Methods: Lectures, demonstrations, work on project and teamwork.

Requirements/Prerequisites: Needed basic knowledge of operating systems, programming, computer architectures, computer networks and communications.

Assessment: written final exam

Course enrolment: the course is compulsory

References:

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9. James D. McCaffrey, Software Testing: Fundamental Principles and Essential Knowledge, 2009

THIRD YEAR – V SEMESTER (OPTIONAL COURSES)

NUMERICAL ANALYSIS

Semester: V semester

Course Type: lectures and lab exercises

Hours per Week: 2 lecture hours and 1 lab hour per week/FS

ECTS Credits: 4.5 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Prof. Stefan Stefanov, PhD

Course Status: Optional Course in the Information Systems and Technologies B.S. Curriculum

Course Description: The course in Numerical Analysis includes basic numerical methods of mathematical analysis and algebra: interpolation and least squares data fitting as methods for approximating functions given by tabulated data; numerical differentiation; numerical integration – Newton-Cotes and Gauss quadrature formulas; numerical solution of nonlinear equations; numerical solution of linear systems of algebraic equations.

Course Objectives: Students should obtain knowledge and skills for numerical solutions of problems in the area of mathematical analysis and algebra, which are applicable for solving various problems.

Teaching Methods: lectures and lab exercises

Requirements/Prerequisites: Mathematical Analysis, Linear Algebra, Analytic Geometry, Differential Equations

Assessment: Written final exam covering problems /omitted in case the average grade of two current problem tests is higher than Very Good 4.50/ (grade weight is 30 %) and theory on two topics (grade weight is 30 %); two homework (grade weight is 20 %) and two projects (grade weight is 20 %).

Registration for the Course: Applied to the academic department at the end of the current semester.

Registration for the Exam: Coordinated with the lecturer and Student Service Department.

References:
Basic Titles:
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2. D. T. Boyadzhiev, Snezhana Gocheva-Ilieva, I. V. Makrelov, L. I. Popova – „Numerical Analysis Handbook", Part I, 3-rd ed., ExPress, Gabrovo, 2010 (in Bulgarian).

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4. B. Boyanov – "Lectures on Numerical Analysis", Darba Publishing House, Sofia, 1995 (in Bulgarian).

5. Snezhana Gocheva-Ilieva – "Computer Numerical Analysis", Paisii Hilendarski Plovdiv University Press, Plovdiv, 2013 (in Bulgarian) (also available online).

6. Stefka Dimova, Tatiana Chernogorova, Angelina Yotova – "Numerical Methods for Differential Equations", St. Kliment Ohridski Sofia University Press, Sofia, 2010 (in Bulgarian).

7. Konstantin Kazakov – „Finite elements method for modeling building constructions", Prof. Marin Drinov Academic Press, Sofia, 2010 (in Bulgarian).

8. M. Kaschiev – "Numerical Analysis Handbook", Martilen Publishing House, Sofia, 1994 (in Bulgarian).

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10. V. Pasheva – "Introduction to Numerical Analysis", Technical University-Sofia, 2009.

11. Bl. Sendov, V. Popov – "Numerical Analysis", Part I, Kliment Ohridski Sofia University Press, Sofia, 1996; Part II, Nauka and Izkustvo Publishing House, Sofia, 1978 (in Bulgarian).

Additional Titles:

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2. Rizwan Butt – "Introduction to Numerical Analysis using Matlab", Jones and Bartlett Publishers, Sudbury, MA, USA, 2009.

3. C. D. Conte, Carl de Boor – "Numerical Analysis: An Algorithmic Approach", 3-rd ed., McGraw Hill Education, Columbus, OH, USA, 2005.

4. J. D. Faires, R. L. Burden – "Numerical Methods", Brooks/Cole Publishing Company, Pacific Grove, CA, USA, 2002.

5. Timothy Sauer – "Numerical Analysis", 2-nd ed., Pearson Education, London, 2011.

6. S. M. Stefanov – "Numerical Analysis", MS4004-2203, Limerick, 1998.

7. William F. Trench – "Elementary Differential Equations with Boundary Value Problems. Student Manual", Trinity University, San Antonio, Texas, USA, 2013 (available online).

JAVASCRIPT PROGRAMMING

Semester: V semester

Course Type: lectures and lab exercises

Hours per Week: 2 lecture hours and 1 lab hour per week/FS

Credits Number: 4,5 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Nadezhda Borisova, PhD

Course Status: Elective course.

Course description: The course is an introduction to the design and development of JavaScript applications and interfaces of Web-based information systems.

Objectives: The student should obtain knowledge of:
1. Design and implementation of JavaScript applications.
2. Design and implementation JavaScript client interfaces of Web-based information systems.

Methods of teaching: lectures, tutorials, discussions, project-based method.

Pre-requirements: "Introduction to Computer Programming" (core course).

Assessment and Evaluation
1. Project- 50%
2. Final Test- 50%

The course is successfully completed with at least 51% of all scores.

Registration for the Course: by request at the end of the current semester

Registration for the Exam: coordinated with the lecturer and the Student Service Office

References:
1. Flanagan, D. (2020). JavaScript: The Definitive Guide: Master the World's Most-Used Programming Language. Taiwan: O'Reilly Media.
2. Ferris, M. (2022). Brain-Friendly Tutorials to JavaScript Programming. Amazon Digital Services LLC - Kdp.
3. Stefanov, Stoyan, Object-Oriented JavaScript, Packt Publishing, 2008
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DOMAIN SPECIFIC LANGUAGES

Semester: V semester

Course Type: lectures and labs

Hours (weekly): 2 lecture hours and 1 lab hour per week /FS

ECTS Credits: 4.5 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Chief Assist. Prof. Ivo Damyanov, PhD

Course Status: Optional course from the Information Systems and Technologies Bachelor Curriculum.

Short Description: The course will introduce basic methods for creating language extensions - heterogeneous and homogeneous domain-specific languages. Some of the popular external DSL, and tools to create them will be addressed. By using the so-called. Framework processors in the course will be realized two domain-specific languages.

Course Aims: The course aims to students' background with specialized training in the creation of domain-specific languages.

Teaching Methods: Lectures, Labs, Discussions, Project Based Methods

Requirements/Prerequisites: Knowledge in Programming Basics, Object Oriented Programming with C++/Java.

Exam: final exam

Course enrolment: Students should submit an application at the academic affairs department at the end of the current semester.

Registration for the exam: Coordinated with lecturer and Students Service Department

References:
1. Markus Voelter, DSL Engineering. Designing, Implementing and Using Domain-Specific Languages, http://dslbook.org, 2013
2. Martin Fowler, Domain Specific Languages, Addison-Wesley Professional, 2010
3. Debasish Ghosh, DSL In Action, Manning Publishing, 2011
4. Блог на Martin Flower http://martinflower.com
5. Markus Voelter, Generic Tools, Specific Languages, 2014
6. Martin Fowler, Patterns of Enterprise Application Architecture, Addison-Wesley, 2003
7. Cay Horstmann, Object-Oriented Design and Patterns, Wiley, 2006
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THIRD YEAR – VI SEMESTER (COMPULSORY COURSES)

COMPUTER SECURITY

Semester: VI semester

Course Type: lectures and labs

Hours (weekly): 2 lecture hours and 1 lab hour per week/SS

ECTS Credits: 4.5 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Chief Assist. Prof. Ivo Damyanov, PhD

Course Status: Compulsory course from the Information Systems and Technologies Bachelor Curriculum.

Description: This course is an introduction to computer security. Course topics cover risks of storing and sharing information and methods for its protection (hardware and software) from destruction and unauthorized access. The course makes a brief theoretical introduction to error correction codes and cryptographic systems. The main focus is on programming and technical means and methods of access control, computer security at different levels - personal, and corporate network, including security in social networks and cloud platforms.

Course Objectives: To provide the necessary basic knowledge about computer security and to acquire knowledge and skills to identify possible risks in specific systems and apply different protection techniques. Acquisition of special training in computer systems and information protection.

Teaching Methods: Lectures, demonstrations, work on project and teamwork.

Requirements/Prerequisites: Needed basic knowledge of operating systems, programming, computer architectures, operating systems.

Assessment: written final exam

Registration for the Course: the course is compulsory.

References:
1. Олаф Кирх и Тери Доусън, 2001, Linux Network Administrator's Guide, SoftPress, разпространява свободно под GNU FDL.
2. Mark Rhodes-Ousley, Information Security (Second Edition), The complete reference, McGraw-Hill, 2013
3. Нина Синягина, Иван Мирчев, Иво Дамянов, Светослав Христов, Защита на компютърната информация, УИ „Неофит Рилски", 2005

4. Zlatogor Minchev, Cyber Threats in Social Networks and Users' Response Dynamics, ЦМСО, 2012, (http://it4sec.org/article/cyber-threats-social-networks-and-users-response-dynamics)

5. Zlatogor Minchev, Cyber Threats Analysis In On-Line Social Networks With A Study On User Response, ЦМСО, 2014, (http://it4sec.org/article/cyber-threats-analysis-line-social-networks-study-user-response)

6. Ronald L. Krutz, Russell Dean Vines, Cloud Security. A comprehensive guide to secure cloud computing, Wiley, 2010

7. Христо Тужаров, 2010, Архитектура на информационната сигурност, Асеневци

8. Ст. Станев, Ст. Железов, Хр. Параскевов, Хр. Христов, Ръководство за упражнения по стеганография, Университетско издателство „Епископ Константин Преславски" Шумен, 2015

9. Цветан Семерджиев, Николай Митев. Норми и стандарти за управление на информационните системи. – София, изд. Софттрейд, 2014 г., ISBN 978-954-334-162-7

10. Himanshu Sharma, Kali Linux - An Ethical Hacker's Cookbook, Packt Publishing, 2017

11. Yuri Diogenes, Erdal Ozkaya, Cybersecurity - Attack and Defense Strategies, Packt Publishing, 2018

12. Веселина Спасова, СИГУРНОСТ ПО ДИЗАЙН В СОФТУЕРНОТО ИНЖЕНЕРСТВО, ВСУ „Черноризец Храбър", Издателски център, 2022

WEB CONTENT MANAGEMENT

Semester: VI semester

Course Type: lectures and labs

Hours (weekly): 2 lectures and 1 lab per week/SS

ECTS Credits: 4.5 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Chief Assist. Prof. Ivo Damyanov, PhD

Course Status: Compulsory course from the Information Systems and Technologies Bachelor Curriculum.

Short Description: Modern ways creation of web content - blogs, wikis, social media require organized content management. The integration of websites with social media features and building shared content through various web services are important elements of the management of any modern website. This course covers topics related to the core technology stack in the global network, creating content strategies, content distribution strategies, analyzing and optimizing content for search engines. Topics related to marketing, branding and

improving the customer experience are also partially addressed. The course examines various web technologies as well as specific content management systems (SMS) - file-based, blogging, full platforms, wikis, such as GravCMS, WordPress, BoltCMS, MediaWiki, Umbraco and others.

Course Aims: To familiarize students with various activities tasks in content management and website building.

Teaching Methods: Lectures, Labs, Discussions, Project Based Methods

Requirements/Prerequisites: Knowledge in Programming Basics and HTML.

Exam: final exam

Course enrolment: the course is compulsory.

Registration for the exam: Coordinated with lecturer and Students Service Department

References:

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2. Денис Колисниченко, Да направим собствен сайт, Асеневци, 2015
3. Тим Киберман, На първо място в Google - 2015, Франчайзинг БГ, 2015
4. Michael Kuhlmann, Social Media for Wordpress, Packt Publishing, 2012
5. Hawker, Mark D., The developer's guide to social programming : building social context using Facebook, Google friend connect, and the Twitter API / Mark D. Hawker, Addison-Wesley, 2010
6. Dan Zarrella, The Social Media Marketing Book, O'Reilly Media, 2009
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9. John West, Professional Sitecore Development, Wrox Publishing, 2012
10. Alan Harris, Pro ASP.NET 4 CMS, Apress, 2010
11. Лари Улман, PHP и MySQL за динамични Web сайтове (обхваща PHP 5 & 7). Бързо ръководство, AlexSoft, 2019
12. Денис Колисниченко, Създаване на PHP приложения със Symfony, Асеневци, 2017
13. Nik Wahlberg, Paul Sterling, Umbraco User's Guide, Wrox Publishing, 2011.

PROBABILITY AND STATISTICS

Semester: VI semester

Type of Course: lectures and tutorials in computer lab

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours and 2 hours tutorials in computer lab/SS

Credits Numbers: 6 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Elena Karashtranova, PhD

Course Status: Compulsory course from the Information Systems and Technologies Bachelor Curriculum.

Course description: The course is designed as a basic course in probability and statistics.

The aim of the course is to acquaint the students with some basic ideas and methods of probability theory, with a view to their use in the modeling of processes and phenomena in the field of natural science and computer analysis, as well as in the elementary modeling of social processes and phenomena in society and life. With the help of the present course, students will acquire knowledge of stochastics useful for their academic work, as well as for their future experimental or scientific work.

The course includes laboratory exercises with the aim of visualizing the learning process and acquiring practical skills for working with MS-Excel extensions, as well as with application packages.

Objectives: The students should obtain knowledge and understanding that the intercourse character needs to discover the connection Mathematics – Informatics – Physics - Economics and much more other sciences:

Methods of teaching: seminars, tutorials, discussions, project-based method.

Pre- requirements: It is helpful the students have some knowledge in Analysis and Information Technology

Assessment and Evaluation: Two tests during the semester, the results of which are part of the final grade.

The course is successful completed with at least 65% of all scores.

Registration for the Course: obligatory course

Registration for the Exam: coordinated with the lecturer and the Student Service Office

KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT

Semester: VI semester

Type of Course: Lectures and tutorials in computer lab

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours and 2 hours tutorials in computer lab/SS

Credits Numbers: 4,5 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Irena Atanasova, PhD

Course Status: Compulsory.

Course description: The course provides an overview of knowledge management as a scientific discipline and its relationship with the strategic management of organizations. Basic concepts of the discipline, basic processes and models for knowledge management and innovation, knowledge transfer, organizational culture, techniques and technologies for knowledge management, design and control of a knowledge management system are considered.
Special attention in the course is paid to the knowledge audit and the control of the effectiveness of the knowledge management strategy in relation to the realization of the corporate goals.
The course examines practical knowledge management methods, both in relation to human resources and in relation to business processes and the information technologies that support them. Practical classes are related to real practice in knowledge management.

Objectives: The main goal of the course is to acquaint students with the theory of knowledge management and its application in organizations and companies. The course provides new knowledge about knowledge management processes and models.

Methods of teaching: lectures, tutorials, discussions, project-based method.

Pre- requirements: C++ programming

Assessment and Evaluation
- Tutorial - 70%
- Final Test - 30%

The course is successful completed with at least 51% of all scores.

Registration for the Course: not required (core course)

Registration for the Exam: coordinated with the lecturer and the Student Service Office

References:
1. Shelda Debowski, Knowledge Management, John Wiley & Sons Australia Ltd., Sidney, 2006.
2. Bergeron B., Essentials of Knowledge Management, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., Hoboken, New Jersey, 2003.
3. Ackerman M., Pipek V., and Wulf V., Sharing Expertise: Beyond Knowledge
1. Management, Cambridge Ma: MIT Press, London, 2003.
4. Elias M. Awad & Hassan M. Ghaziri (2004), Knowledge Management, New Jersey: Pearson Education, Inc.
5. Amrit Tiwana (2002), The Knowledge Management Toolkit, New Jersey: Pearson Education, Inc.
6. Bensoussan, B. , C. S. Fleisher, The Financial Time Guide to Analysis for Managers, Pearson Education Ltd.,2009

7. Strategic Management, Theory and Application, Adrian Haberberg & Alison Rieple, Oxford University Press, New York, 2008

8. TRAINMOR KNOWMORE, Handbook on organizational knowledge management, 2008, Greece, http://www.trainmor-knowmore.eu/

9. Paul Bocij, Andrew Greasley, Simon Hickie, Business Information Systems, Technology Development & Management, Pearson Education Ltd, Harlow,2008

THIRD YEAR – VI SEMESTER (OPTIONAL COURSES)

MATHEMATICAL OPTIMIZATION

Semester: VI semester

Course Type: lectures and tutorials

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours and 2 tutorial hours per week/SS

ECTS credits: 6 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Prof. Stefan Stefanov, PhD

Course Status: Optional course in the Information Systems and Technologies B.S. Curriculum

Short Description: The course in Mathematical Optimization (Mathematical Programming) includes basic results and methods for solving various types optimization problems and related topics: nonlinear optimization problems, linear optimization problems (simplex method, duality in linear optimization, transportation problem, assignment problem), matrix games (John von Neumann minimax theorem, graphical method for solving 2 x 2, 2 x n, and m x 2 games, relation between matrix games and linear optimization), convex analysis (convex sets, sum of sets and product of a set with a real number, projection of a point onto a set, separation of convex sets, extreme points, cones, polar cones, polyhedrons, convex functions, directional derivatives, subgradients and subdifferentials), convex optimization problems (Kuhn-Tucker theorem), quadratic optimization problems.

Course Aims: Students should obtain basic knowledge and skills for solving optimization problems under consideration.

Teaching Methods: lectures and tutorials

Requirements/Prerequisites: Mathematical Analysis, Linear Algebra, Analytic Geometry.

Assessment: written final exam

Registration for the Course: not necessary

Registration for the Exam: coordinated with the lecturer and Students Service Department

References:
Basic Titles:
1. P. Kenderov, G. Hristov, A. Dontchev – "Mathematical Optimization", Kliment Ohridski Sofia University Press, Sofia, 1989 (in Bulgarian).

2. "Mathematical Optimization Problem Book and Handbook", Kliment Ohridski Sofia University Press, Sofia, 1989 (in Bulgarian).
3. M. Slavkova – "Mathematical Optimization Methods", Sofia, 2000 (in Bulgarian).
4. M. Slavkova, Z. Tsenova – "Quantitative Methods and Statistics Problem Book", Technical University, Sofia, 2011 (in Bulgarian).
5. S. M. Stefanov – "Quantitative Methods of Management", 2003 (in Bulgarian).

Additional Titles:
1. Suresh Chandra, Jayadeva Aparna Mehra – "Numerical Optimization with Applications", Narosa Publishing House, New Delhi, 2013.
2. Andrew R. Conn, Katya Scheinberg, Luis N. Vicente – "Introduction to Derivative-Free Optimization", SIAM, Philadelphia, PA, USA, 2009.
3. Griva, S. G. Nash. A. Sofer – "Linear and Nonlinear Optimization", 2-nd. ed., SIAM, Philadelphia, 2009.
4. S. M. Stefanov – "Separable Optimization. Theory and Methods", Springer, New York, 2021.
5. Hamdy A. Taha – „Operations Research. An Introduction", 10-th ed., Pearson, USA, 2017.
6. William F. Trench – "The Method of Lagrange Multipliers", Trinity University, San Antonio, Texas, USA, 2013 (available online).

VIRTUAL AND AUGMENTED REALITY

Semester: VI semester

Course Type: lecture and lab exercises

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours and 2 lab hours per week/SS

ECTS credits: 6.0 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Radoslava Kraleva, PhD

Course Status: Optional course in the Information Systems and Technologies, Bachelor of Science

Course Description: The course presents an introduction to virtual and augmented reality, with an emphasis on the design and development of interactive virtual and augmented reality applications. The course covers the history of the field, fundamental theory, interaction techniques, and specific application areas. In the context of virtual and augmented reality, some of the concepts related to computer vision, computer graphics and human-computer interaction

will be introduced. Students will be tasked with creating their own virtual or augmented reality application as a course project.

Course Objectives This course aims to provide students with knowledge and skills about the prospects and possibilities of virtual reality and augmented reality.

Teaching Methods: Lectures, demonstrations, work on project and teamwork.

Requirements: Basic knowledge of computer graphics, computer mathematics and programming knowledge is required.

Assessment: Evaluating the student shall be carried out on the sixth grad scale – 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. Evaluation of current control is obtained by taking the average of the assessment of coursework and paper. Students who have a minimum average estimate /3/ of the current control is not allowed to test the regular session. They must present additional development and evaluation after receiving at least medium /3/ be admitted to the written examination of supplementary or liquidation session. The final estimate is derived from the average of the current control and evaluation of the written exam.

Registration for the Course: Submitted an application to the academic department at the end of current semester.

Registration for the Exam: Coordinated with the lecturer and Student Service Department.

References:
1. Jones, P., Osborne, T., Sullivan-Drage, C., Keen, N., & Gadsby, E. (2022). Virtual reality methods: A guide for researchers in the social Sciences and humanities (p. 158). Policy Press. Available online on 10-09-2023. https://library.oapen.org/viewer/web/viewer.html?file=/bitstream/handle/20.500.12657/57076/9781447360773.pdf
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3. Linowes, J. (2018). Unity Virtual Reality Projects: Learn Virtual Reality by Developing More Than 10 Engaging Projects with Unity 2018. Packt Publishing Ltd.
4. Cao, J., Lam, K. Y., Lee, L. H., Liu, X., Hui, P., & Su, X. (2023). Mobile augmented reality: User interfaces, frameworks, and intelligence. ACM Computing Surveys, 55(9), 1-36.
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8. Fuchs, P. (2017). Virtual reality headsets-a theoretical and pragmatic approach. CRC Press.

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15. Taylor, A. G. (2016). Develop Microsoft HoloLens apps now (pp. 91-100). New York, NY, USA: Apress.

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PROGRAMMING WITH .NET

Semester: VI semester

Course Type: lectures and labs

Hours (weekly): 2 lecture hours and 2 lab hours per week/SS

ECTS Credits: 6.0 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Chief Assist. Prof. Ivo Damyanov, PhD

Course Status: Optional course from the Information Systems and Technologies Bachelor Curriculum.

Short Description: This course observes .NET software development framework. The main topics included in this course are: .Net Framework overall architecture, CLR, CTS, lambda expressions, data access – EF/LINQ, processing XML, WinForms. Will be addressed and some of the more complex concepts such as reflection, asynchronous programming.

Course Aims: The course aim is to give theoretical and practical background to students to use .NET family languages in custom software development.

Teaching Methods: Lectures, Labs, Discussions, Project Based Methods

Requirements/Prerequisites: Knowledge in Programming Basics, Object Oriented Programming with C++/Java, Operating Systems.

Exam: final exam

Course enrolment: Students should submit an application at the academic affairs department at the end of the current semester.

Registration for the exam: Coordinated with lecturer and Students Service Department

References:

1. Светлин Наков и Веселин Колев, Въведение в програмирането със C#, Фабер, 2011, ISBN: 978-954-400-527-6
2. Eric Gunnerson and Nick Wienholt, A programmer's Guide to C# 5.0, APress, 2012
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7. Fergal Grimes, Microsoft .NET for Programmers, Manning Publications, 2002, ISBN 1-930110-19-7
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PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Semester: VI semester

Course type: lectures and lab exercises

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours and 1 lab hour per week/SS

ECTS credits: 4.5 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Irena Atanasova, PhD

Course status: Optional course from the Information Systems and Technologies Bachelor Curriculum.

Course description: The Project Management course provides basic knowledge of the project planning and management for achieving the strategic goals of organizations using different types of funding, management models, staff motivation, and project stages planning. Proper

planning, budgeting, risk analysis, resource allocation, stage planning, and control of the performed activity are important for the successful management of a project.

Course objectives: This course aims to provide students with knowledge of basic theoretical concepts and practical approaches related to project management.

Teaching methods: Lectures, demonstrations, work on project and teamwork.

Requirements: Needed basic knowledge of operating systems, computer programming and Data structures, object-oriented programming, databases, and DBMS.

Assessment: Evaluating the student shall be carried out on the sixth grad scale – 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. Evaluation of current control is obtained by taking the average of the assessment of coursework and tasks. Students who have a minimum average estimate /3/ of the current control is not allowed to test the regular session. They must present additional development and evaluation after receiving at least medium /3/ be admitted to the written examination of supplementary or liquidation session. The final estimate is derived from the average of the current control and evaluation of the written exam.

Registration for the course: Applied to the academic department at the end of current semester.

Registration for the exam: Coordinated with the lecturer and Student Service Department.

References:

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DESIGN AND ANALYSIS OF HUMAN COMPUTER INTERACTIONS

Semester: VI semester

Type of Course: Lectures and tutorials in computer lab.

Hours per week: 1 lecture hour, 1 seminar hour and 1 hour tutorials in computer lab/SS

Credits Numbers: 4,5 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Prof. Daniela Tuparova, PhD

Course Status: elective course in curriculum of major Information Systems and Technologies, bachelor's degree.

Course description: The course is directed to mastering of core principles and techniques for design, development and analysis of HCI. The problems as rules for graphical design of interface of software applications, psychological characteristics of users target groups, phycology of the colors etc., are discussed. Usability and accessibility of software applications are considered. The techniques for usability analysis are performed.

Objectives: The student should obtain basic knowledge in area of design, development and analysis of HCI.

Methods of teaching: lectures, tutorials, discussions, project-based method.

Pre - requirements: No

Assessment and Evaluation
- Project- 50%
- Final Test- 50%

The course is successful completed with at least 51 % of all scores.

Registration for the Course: The students apply in Department of Informatics

Registration for the Exam: coordinated with the lecturer and the Student Service Office

References:

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PATTERN RECOGNITION

Semester: VI semester

Course Type: lectures and labs

Hours (per week): 2 lecture hours and 1 hour lab exercises per week/SS

Credits: 4,5 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Stela Bancheva, PhD

Status of the course in the educational plan: Optional course in the Information Systems and Technologies B.S. Curriculum

Description of the course: This course covers subjects required as a background for IT professionals. This course expands techniques based on AI as well as new information technologies. The course covers main principles of the Pattern Recognition theory. Some of the topics included are data representation, discovering basic signs, determining optimal decisions procedures (using different approaches and parameter evaluation).

Course Aims: The course aim is to give students good basic theoretical knowledge and practical experience in pattern recognition. To become familiar with building mathematical models which they should use to solve different problems for classification simple objects.

Teaching Methods: lectures, discussions, practical work, laboratory exercises.

Requirements/Prerequisites: Basic knowledge in Analytic Geometry, Linear Algebra, Analysis, Numerical Methods, Optimization. Advance knowledge in Discrete Mathematics, Graph Theory, Programming, Formal Languages and Grammars.

Exam: The assessment of the current control is formed by one abstract and one course project. Students with a minimum grade average (3.00) of current control are admitted to the exam (written final test). The final score takes into account the results of the current control (75%) and the score from the written exam (25%).

Registration for the course: It is necessary to submit an application to a study department at the end of the previous academic year.

Registration for exam: Coordinated with the lecturer and Students Service Department.

FOURTH YEAR – VII SEMESTER (COMPULSORY COURSES)

INTERNET PROGRAMMING

Semester: VII semester

Type of Course: Lectures and tutorials in a computer lab.

Hours (per week): 2 lecture hours and 2 hours lab exercises per week/FS

Credits Numbers: 6 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Nadezhda Borisova, PhD

Course Status: A core course in the curriculum of major IST, bachelor's degree.

Course description: The course is an introduction to the design and programming of Internet/Intranet Web-based information systems. A combination of JavaScript, CSS and MySQL/PHP/Apache technologies is considered in practical aspects.

Objectives: The student should obtain knowledge of:
- Design and programming of Internet/Intranet Web-based information systems.
- Practical aspects of JavaScript, CSS and MySQL/PHP/Apache technologies.

Methods of teaching: lectures, tutorials, discussions, project-based method.

Pre-requirements: Database systems, Web design (core courses).

Assessment and Evaluation
- Project- 50%
- Final Test- 50%

The course is successfully completed with at least 50% of all scores.

Registration for the Course: not required (core course)

Registration for the Exam: coordinated with the lecturer and the Student Service Office

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MOBILE APPLICATION DEVELOPMENT

Semester: VII semester

Course Type: lectures and lab exercises

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours and 2 lab hours per week/FS

ECTS credits: 6.0 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Radoslava Kraleva, PhD

Course Status: Compulsory Course in the Information Systems and Technologies in Bachelor of Science Curriculum

Course Description: Over the past few years have seen a rapid development of the market share of mobile devices such as tablets, e-readers, and smartphones. Application development gained new meaning as the keyboard and mouse are no longer the main means of managing computing devices. Therefore, appears the need to learn new technologies and programming to create applications with a brand-new ideology. This course is a practical introduction to developing applications for mobile devices. In seminars, students will learn about the different environments to develop mobile applications and acquire basic theoretical knowledge and skills. Details will be discussed and used development environment Microsoft Visual Studio with Xamarin.Forms. It allows students to develop their applications in laboratory work and individual coursework at the end of the course.

Course Objectives This course aims to provide students with knowledge and additional training in the theory and practice in the development of applications for mobile devices. They will learn about some of the environments to develop mobile applications and will gain more practical knowledge in the development environment Microsoft Windows Phone.

Teaching Methods: Lectures, demonstrations, work on project and teamwork.

Requirements: Needed basic knowledge of operating systems, computer programming and Data structures, object-oriented programming, databases, and DBMS.

Assessment: Evaluating the student shall be carried out on the sixth grad scale – 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. Evaluation of current control is obtained by taking the average of the assessment of coursework and paper. Students who have a minimum average estimate /3/ of the current control is not allowed to test the regular session. They must present additional development and evaluation after receiving at least medium /3/ be admitted to the written examination of supplementary or liquidation session. The final estimate is derived from the average of the current control and evaluation of the written exam.

Registration for the Course: not necessary

Registration for the Exam: Coordinated with the lecturer and Student Service Department.

References:

Basic Titles:

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2. Paul F. Johnson (2015) Cross-platform UI Development with Xamarin.Forms, Packt Publishing.
3. Hindrikes, D., & Karlsson, J. (2020). Xamarin. Forms Projects: Build multiplatform mobile apps and a game from scratch using C# and Visual Studio 2019. Packt Publishing Ltd.
4. David Britch (2017) Enterprise Application Patterns using Xamarin.Forms, Microsoft Press.
5. Jim Bennett (2018) Xamarin in Action. Creating native cross-platform mobile apps, Manning Publications.
6. Russell Fustino (2018) Azure and Xamarin Forms: Cross Platform Mobile Development, Apress.
7. Charlez Petzold (2016) Creating Mobile Apps with Xamarin.Forms, Microsoft Press.
8. Matthew Leibowitz (2015) Xamarin Mobile Development for Android Cookbook, Packt Publishing.
9. Mark Reynolds (2014) Xamarin Essentials, Packt Publishing.
10. Dan Hermes (2015) Xamarin Mobile Application Development, Apress.
11. Can Bilgin (2016) Mastering Cross-Platform Development with Xamarin, Packt Publishing
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SPECIALIZED STATISTICAL SOFTWARE

Semester: VII semester

Type of Course: lectures and tutorials in computer lab

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours and 2 hours tutorials in computer lab/FS

Credits Numbers: 6 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Elena Karashtranova, PhD

Course Status: Obligatory course in curriculum of major Information systems and technologies, Bachelor's degree

Course description: The course Specialized statistical software /Statistical analysis of data with the help of IT (MS Excel, Statistics, SPSS)/ should introduce students to apply the methods of statistics in practice with the tools of IT.
The main objectives of the modeling the empirical data and application in the IT are introduced in the course. Contemporary technologies used for their application (MS EXCEL, SPSS and STATISTICA) are also included in the course.

Objectives:
- To give students theoretical knowledge of the main statistical procedures, as well as some specifics of their usage.
- To teach students how to create models for statistical analysis of experimental data.
- To present contemporary IT for statistical analysis to the students.
- To prepare students for their future researches.

After successfully completing the course, the students should:
- know and be able to apply procedures for statistical analysis of experimental data;
- manage to create, edit, export and import data in contemporary IT;
- be able to create models for statistical analysis of experimental data.

Methods of teaching: seminars, tutorials, discussions, project-based method, simulations

Pre-requirements: Probability and Statistics, Information Technology

Assessment and Evaluation
- Project- 30%
- Final Test- 30%
- Individual students works-40%

The course is successful completed with at least 50% of all scores.

Registration for the Course: required

Registration for the Exam: coordinated with the lecturer and the Student Service Office

FOURTH YEAR – VII SEMESTER (OPTIONAL COURSES)

WEB-BASED EXPERT SYSTEMS

Semester: VII semester

Type of Course: lectures and labs

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours and 2 lab hours per week/FS

Credits Numbers: 6,0

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Irena Atanasova, PhD

Course Status: Optional course from the Computer Science Bachelor Curriculum.

Course description: Artificial Intelligence has come out of the closets of scientists and has found increasing application in the engineering and business world. The concept of engineering of knowledge has only recently come under discussion. Principles of engineering have been applied to the planning and development of software, i.e. software engineering has evolved as a discipline in computer science that uses such methods as analysis of requirements, specifications, planning and modular design, prototyping, and implementing the design in appropriate programming languages, and finally, operational application. This course develops two parallel approaches to knowledge engineering: For one, the lecture is designed to discuss the fundamentals of artificial intelligence as it applies to knowledge engineering and the development of expert systems and web-based expert systems. The second part of this course is devoted to the practical web-based application of the concepts: The students will learn to develop mini web-based expert systems of their choice that will incorporate the concepts of expert systems and the techniques of knowledge engineering to assist practitioners in different fields (e.g. auto mechanic, medical doctors, etc.) in diagnosing malfunctions and/or projecting potential solutions to problem.

This course presents an in-depth examination of web-based expert or knowledge-based systems. Topics to be covered include architectures, knowledge representation structures, building techniques, and design tools and shells for constructing web-based expert systems; the life cycle of web-based expert systems; and evaluating web-based expert systems. Details of specific web-based expert systems and web-based expert system shells will be covered.

Basic objectives and tasks:

The main objective of this course is to provide the students with an understanding of the principles of knowledge engineering and the design and development, planning, and management of a web-based expert system.

- To explain what Web-Based Expert System (ES) is: Definition, history, and general concept; Characteristic, advantages and limitations; Types and examples; Architecture and components; Development process; Inference engine; Knowledge base; Uncertainty factor; Knowledge acquisition; Web-based expert system's development tools
- To give students opportunity to be creative on applying their ability by developing an WBES. There will be a final task completed in a group

Methods of teaching: lectures, projects, other methods

Pre-requirements: Basic knowledge in Foundation of informatics, Mathematical Logic, and Programming languages.

Exam: Test and discussion at the end of the semester, individual tasks and the general student's work during the semester.

Registration for the Course: not necessary

Registration for the Exam: Coordinated with the lecturer and the Student Service Office

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NUMERICAL OPTIMIZATION

Semester: VII semester

Course Type: lectures and lab exercises

Hours per Week: 2 lecture hours and 2 lab hours per week/FS

ECTS Credits: 6 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Prof. Stefan Stefanov, PhD

Course Status: Optional Course in the Information Systems and Technologies B.Sc. Curriculum

Course Description: The course in Numerical Optimization includes basic numerical methods for solving various classes of optimization problems: line search methods – dichotomous search, golden section method, Fibonacci search, Newton's method; unconstrained optimization methods – nongradient methods (cyclic coordination method, method of Hooke and Jeeves, method of Rosenbrock), gradient methods (steepest descent method), methods of second order (Newton's method, modifications), as well as conjugate directions methods (conjugate gradients method: method of Fletcher-Reeves, method of Polak-Ribiere; quasi-Newton methods: method of Davidon-Fletcher-Powell); constrained optimization – methods of feasible directions (of Zoutendijk, of Rosen, of Wolfe [of the reduced gradient]), penalty and barrier functions methods; nonsmooth analysis and methods for nondifferentiable (nonsmooth) optimization; stochastic programming; separable programming; dynamic programming; vector (multi-objective) optimization and Pareto optimality.

Course Objectives: Student should obtain knowledge and skills for numerical solution of optimization problems.

Teaching Methods: lectures and lab exercises

Requirements/Prerequisites: Basic knowledge in Mathematical analysis, Linear algebra, Analytic geometry, Mathematical programming.

Assessment: written final exam on two topics (grade weight is 60 %); two homework projects (grade weight is 40 %)

Registration for the Course: by request at the end of the previous academic year

Registration for the Exam: coordinated with lecturer and Student Service Department

References:
Basic Titles:
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2. V.G. Karmanov – "Mathematical Programming", Nauka, Moscow, 1986.
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DEVELOPING DATABASE APPLICATION

Semester: VII semester

Course Type: lectures and laboratory exercises

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours and 2 laboratory hours per week/FS

ECTS credits: 6.0 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Velin Kralev, PhD

Course Status: Optional Course in the Information System and Technologies B. S. Curriculum

Course Description: The course includes basic methods in database application development and related topics: database application design; use of data controls; general functions of data controls; ways to organize data; single record usage; using multiple records; view and edit data via data grid; use of composite data fields; navigating and manipulating records; use of datasets; basic methods, properties, and events of the TDataSet class; searching datasets; visualization and editing of a subset of data using filters; add, edit, delete and store records; working with batch operations; using table type datasets; using indexes to search for records; using ranges; creating master/detail relationships. work with tables; use of data fields; dynamic and persistent data fields; extended use of data fields; the basic methods of data fields; access the values of a data field; using constraints; using data fields containing objects; basics of data export; send data to other applications; analysis of information in database applications; creating reports in database applications.

Course Objectives: Students should obtain basic knowledge and skills for developing databases applications.

Teaching Methods: lectures and laboratory exercises

Requirements/Prerequisites: Basic knowledge and skills for databases, database management systems and programming.

Assessment: written final exam

Registration for the Course: by request at the end of the previous academic year

Registration for the Exam: coordinated with lecturer and Student Service Department

References:
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9. David M. Kroenke, David Auer. (2012). Database Concepts (6th Edition). Publisher Prentice Hall, USA

10. Carlos Coronel, Steven Morris, Peter Rob. (2012). Database Systems: Design, Implementation, and Management. Publisher Cengage Learning, USA

INTERACTIVE MULTIMEDIA TECHNOLOGIES

Semester: VII semester

Type of Course: Lectures and tutorials in computer lab.

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours and 2 hours tutorials in computer lab/FS

Credits Numbers: 6 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Prof. Daniela Tuparova, PhD

Course Status: elective course in curriculum of major Information Systems and Technologies, bachelor's degree.

Course description: The course is proposed for students from specialties "Informatics", „Information systems and technologies", and "Education in Mathematics, informatics, and ICT". The main aim of the course is students to master basic methods and technics for design, development and integration of different multimedia objects.

The course topics cover basic concepts of interactive multimedia, characteristics of authoring tools for development of interactive multimedia content. Also basic technologies for development of interactive mobile applications and virtual reality are considered. The practical implementation is related to design and development of serious games.

Objectives:
- Students have to be able to:
- Create, edit, and integrate different multimedia objects;
- Develop multimedia content;
- Design and develop interactive educational games

Methods of teaching: lectures, tutorials, discussions, project-based method.

Pre - requirements: No

Assessment and Evaluation:

- Formative assessment - 50%
- Final Practical assessment- 50%

The course is successful completed with at least 51 % of all scores. In the case of minimum grade 4.50 for formative assessment, students can escape the final practical assessment.

Registration for the Course: The students apply in Department of Informatics

Registration for the Exam: coordinated with the lecturer and the Student Service Office

References:

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AUDIO AND VIDEO FILE PROCESSING

Semester: VII semester

Course Type: lectures and lab exercises

Hours per Week: 2 lecture hours and 2 lab hours per week/FS

ECTS Credits: 6 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Krum Ivanov, PhD

Course Status: Optional Course in the Information Systems and Technologies B.S. Curriculum

Course description: The program introduces students to the main types of audio and video formats, their parameters, characteristics, specifics of processing. Introduces students to the basic programs for processing audio and video files. Introduces students to the basic types of sound, working with sound filters. The program allows learning the characteristics of the video image, working with video effects and video signal manipulation.

Purpose of the course: To learn the main formats, the main parameters of sound, ways of processing sound and video, the main programs for audio and video processing.

Teaching methods: Lectures, exercises, practical tasks, control checks.

Prerequisites: Must have computer skills.

Assessment: Written exam on seminar exercises and lecture material.

Exam registration: Students agree with the teacher on the desired exam days, с within the announced calendar schedule for the exam sessions.

Literature:
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9. Sam Kauffmann, Ashley Kennedy Avid Editing A Guide for Beginning and Intermediate Users
10. John Rosenberg The Healthy EditCreative Editing Techniques for Perfecting Your Movie
11. Ken Dancyger The Technique of Film and Video EditingHistory, Theory, and Practice
12. Lori Coleman, Diana Friedberg Make the Cut A Guide to Becoming a Successful Assistant Editor in Film and TV
13. Sam McGuire, David Liban The Video Editor's Guide to Soundtrack Pro Workflows, Tools, and Techniques
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NoSQL Databases

Semester: VII semester

Course Type: lectures and labs

Hours (weekly): 2 lecture hours and 2 lab hours/FS

ECTS Credits: 6 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Chief Assist. Prof. Ivo Damyanov, PhD

Course Status: Optional course from the Information Systems and Technologies Bachelor Curriculum.

Short Description: With the expansion of big data processing and information storage o non-relational databases become more popular. This course aims to introduce the basics of non-relational databases and to show how they can be used in specific projects. The course will examine three main types of non-relational databases - key-valued stores, document stores, column-oriented stores. Two NoSQL databases will be introduced in deep - MongoDB and RavenDB. Cloud storages as blobs, azure tables and dynamoDB will also be introduced.

Course Aims: Students should acquire knowledge and skills to work with non-relational databases.

Teaching Methods: Lectures, Labs, Discussions, Project Based Methods

Requirements/Prerequisites: Knowledge in Programming Basics, Object Oriented Programming, Operating Systems and Databases.

Exam: final exam

Course enrolment: Students should submit an application at the academic affairs department at the end of the current semester.

Registration for the exam: Coordinated with lecturer and Students Service Department

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FOURTH YEAR – VIII SEMESTER (COMPULSORY COURSES)

SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

Semester: VIII semester

Course Type: lectures and lab exercises

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours and 2 lab hours per week/SS

ECTS credits: 6.0 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Radoslava Kraleva, PhD

Course Status: Compulsory Course in Bachelor of Science Curriculum of Information System and Technology.

Course Description: Software engineering associated with the development of software using well-defined scientific principles, methods, and procedures. The outcome of software engineering is an efficient and reliable software product. The result of software engineering is an effective and reliable software product. The innovations observed today are the result of well-designed and quality developed software products. This course is a theoretical and practical introduction to the management of software engineering. During the lectures, the students will become acquainted with the necessary theoretical material, and during the laboratory sessions, they will apply the acquired knowledge in practical projects.

Course Objectives: The course aims to provide students with knowledge of basic theoretical concepts and practical approaches related to software engineering.

Teaching Methods: Lectures, demonstrations, work on project and teamwork.

Requirements: Needed basic knowledge of operating systems, computer programming and Data structures, object-oriented programming, databases and DBMS.

Assessment: Evaluating the student shall be carried out in the sixth grad scale – 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. Evaluation of current control is obtained by taking the average of the assessment of coursework and paper. Students who have a minimum average estimate /3/ of the current control is not allowed to test the regular session. They must present additional development and evaluation after receiving at least medium /3/ be admitted to the written examination of supplementary or liquidation session. The final estimate is derived from the average of the current control and evaluation of the written exam.

Registration for the Course: Not necessary.

Registration for the Exam: Coordinated with the lecturer and Student Service Department.

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INFORMATION SYSTEMS AND TECHNOLOGY IN SOCIAL MEDIA ANALYSIS

Semester: VIII semester

Course Type: lectures and lab exercises

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours and 2 lab hours per week/SS

ECTS credits: 6.0 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Irena Atanasova, PhD

Course Status: Compulsory Course in Bachelor of Science Curriculum of Information System and Technology.

TRAINING AT IT COMPANY

Semester: VIII semester

Course Type: seminar and lab exercises

Hours per week: 1 seminar hour and 2 lab hours per week/SS

ECTS Credits: 4 credits

Department: Informatics

Instructor: Part-time Assist. Prof. Ivan Zhdrapanski

Course Status: A core course in the curriculum of major Information Systems and Technologies, bachelor's degree.

Course description: The course is designed for acquiring practical skills and habits and the acquisition of expertise through introduction and participation in the activities of companies and organizations that design, implement, deploy, and use modern IT.

Objectives: This course aims to bind the knowledge gained from university education with hands-on activities performed in different IT companies (organizations).

Methods of teaching: Work in a real work environment.

Pre-requirements: Basic knowledge of Informational Technologies, Operating Systems, Databases and Programming.

Assessment: report; journal of the conducted practical training.

Registration for the Course: not required (core course)

Registration for the Exam: coordinated with the lecturer and the Student Service Office.

FOURTH YEAR – VIII SEMESTER (OPTIONAL COURSES)

TEXT MINING

Semester: VIII semester

Type of Course: Lectures and tutorials in computer lab

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours and 2 hours tutorials in computer lab/SS

Credits Numbers: 6,0 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Irena Atanasova, PhD

Course Status: Elective.

Course description: The course introduces concepts and methods for knowledge discovery from large amounts of text data and the application of text mining techniques for business intelligence, digital humanities, and social behavior analysis.

The main goal of this course is to increase student awareness of the power of large amounts of text data and computational methods to find patterns in large text corpora. This course is designed as an elective course for those students who are interested in text mining. Programming skill is preferred but not required in this class. This course will introduce the concepts and methods of text mining technologies rooted from machine learning, natural language processing, and statistics. This course will also show case the applications of text mining technologies in:

- information organization and access,
- business intelligence,
- social behavior analysis,
- digital humanities.

Objectives: After taking this course, the students will be able to:

- describe basic concepts and methods in text mining, for example document representation, information extraction, text classification and clustering, and topic modeling;
- use benchmark corpora, commercial and open-source text analysis and visualization tools to explore interesting patterns;
- understand conceptually the mechanism of advanced text mining algorithms for information extraction, text classification and clustering, opinion mining, and their applications in real-world problems;

- choose appropriate technologies for specific text analysis tasks and evaluate the benefit and challenges of the chosen technical solution.

Methods of teaching: lectures, tutorials, discussions, project based method.

Pre- requirements: C++ programming

Assessment and Evaluation
- Tutorial - 70%
- Final Test - 30%

The course is successful completed with at least 51% of all scores.

Registration for the Course: required (elective course)

Registration for the Exam: coordinated with the lecturer and the Student Service Office

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LANGUAGES FOR ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Semester: VIII semester

Type of Course: Lectures and tutorials in computer lab

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours and 2 hours tutorials in computer lab/SS

Credits Numbers: 6,0 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Irena Atanasova, PhD

Course Status: Elective.

Course description: The course introduces students to the characteristic features and theoretical foundations of functional and logical programming. The basic constructs of

functional and logical programming languages and the structure of programs are studied. Particular attention is paid to some specific issues such as higher order function, deferred evaluation, infinite stream handling, database structure in logic programming, recursion, etc. The basic principles of the implementation of functional and logical programming languages in building artificial intelligence systems are presented. Some characteristic applications of these languages are considered.

Objectives: After completing the course, students should be able to:
- to design and implement elements of artificial intelligence systems.
- to use widely distributed and accessible platforms for functional and logical programming.

Methods of teaching: lectures, tutorials, discussions, project-based method.

Pre- requirements: C++ programming

Assessment and Evaluation
- Tutorial - 70%
- Final Test - 30%

The course is successful completed with at least 51% of all scores.

Registration for the Course: required (elective course)

Registration for the Exam: coordinated with the lecturer and the Student Service Office

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COMPUTER INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Semester: VIII semester

Course Type: lectures and laboratory exercises

Hours per week: 2 lecture hours and 2 laboratory hours per week/SS

ECTS credits: 6.0 credits

Department: Informatics

Lecturer: Assoc. Prof. Velin Kralev, PhD

Course Status: Optional Course in Bachelor of Science Curriculum of Information System and Technologies

Course Description: The course includes basics of database management systems and related topics: introduction to the database management systems, requirements, architecture and basic principles of operation; comparison between the most widely used database management systems; basics of planning, installing, configuring and managing components of a DBMS and its instances; tools for working with database management systems, familiarization with the tools SQL Server Management Studio and IBConsole; design of relational databases and create a physical diagram of database scheme in the DBMS; create and modify tables in the DBMS, use types, expressions and functions; defining keys and restrictions when creating relationships between tables, creating and using indexes, working with diagrams in the DBMS; working with SQL statements INSERT, DELETE, and UPDATE with insert, delete and update data; working with the SQL statement SELECT retrieving data; working with joins in extracting information from multiple tables, creating and using views; create and work with stored procedures in the DBMS, define custom functions; working with transactions and locks in the DBMS; create and use triggers in the DBMS; security system DBMS, working with logins, roles and users, authentication and authorization; exporting and importing data, DBMS capabilities for backup and restore databases;

Course Aims: Students should obtain basic knowledge and skills for database management systems.

Teaching Methods: tutorials and laboratory

Requirements/Prerequisites: Databases.

Assessment: written final exam

Registration for the Course: not necessary

Registration for the Exam: coordinated with the lecturer and Student Service Department

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