

SYLLABUS

1. Data about the program of study

1.1 Institution	The Technical University of Cluj-Napoca
1.2 Faculty	Faculty of Automation and Computer Science
1.3 Department	Computer Science
1.4 Field of study	Computer Science and Information Technology
1.5 Cycle of study	Bachelor of Science
1.6 Program of study / Qualification	Computer science / Engineer
1.7 Form of education	Full time

2. Data about the subject

2.1 Subject name	Software engineering				Subject code	33
2.2 Course responsible / lecturer	Prof. dr. eng. Enea Todoran - Enea.Todoran@cs.utcluj.ro					
2.3 Teachers in charge of seminars / Laboratory / project	Assoc. prof. dr. Paulina Mitrea - Paulina.Mitrea@cs.utcluj.ro Assoc. prof. dr. eng. Delia Mitrea - Delia.Mitrea@cs.utcluj.ro Lect. dr. Anca Iordan - Anca.Iordan@cs.utcluj.ro					
2.4 Year of study	III	2.5 Semester	5	2.6 Type of assessment (E - exam, C - colloquium, V – verification)	E	
2.7 Subject category	Formative category: DF – fundamental, DS – speciality, DC – complementary					DF
	Optionality: DOB – mandatory, DOP – optional (alternative), DFA – optional (free choice)					DOB

3. Estimated total time

3.1 Number of hours per week	4	of which	Course	2	Seminars	-	Laboratory	1	Project	1
3.2 Number of hours per semester	56	of which	Course	28	Seminars	-	Laboratory	14	Project	14
3.3 Individual study:										
(a) Manual, lecture material and notes, bibliography										20
(b) Supplementary study in the library, online and in the field										17
(c) Preparation for seminars/laboratory works, homework, reports, portfolios, essays										17
(d) Tutoring										5
(e) Exams and tests										10
(f) Other activities:										-
3.4 Total hours of individual study (suma (3.3(a)...3.3(f)))					69					
3.5 Total hours per semester (3.2+3.4)					125					
3.6 Number of credit points					5					

4. Pre-requisites (where appropriate)

4.1 Curriculum	Object Oriented Programming, Programming Techniques
4.2 Competence	Competences acquired in the above disciplines

5. Requirements (where appropriate)

5.1. For the course	Blackboard / whiteboard, internet, projector, computer
5.2. For the applications	Computers, internet, specific software

6. Specific competence

6.1 Professional competences	C3 - Problems solving using specific Computer Science and Computer Engineering tools (2 credits) • C3.1 - Identifying classes of problems and solving methods that are specific to computing systems • C3.2 - Using interdisciplinary knowledge, solution patterns and tools, making experiments and interpreting their results • C3.3 - Applying solution patterns using specific engineering tools and methods • C3.4 - Comparatively and experimentally evaluation of the alternative solutions for performance and implementing informatic solutions for concrete problems
6.2 Cross competences	N/A

7. Expected Learning Outcomes

Knowledge	Describes, identifies, summarizes elementary concepts and methods regarding software engineering systems and their application to concrete problems.
Skills	Specifies requirements, analyzes, elaborates, develops and tests programs in general-purpose programming languages (C, etc.) and/or object-oriented languages (C++, Java, etc.), applying the elements specific to software engineering.
Responsibilities and autonomy	Takes responsibility for the quality and correctness of the software solutions developed and demonstrates autonomy in organizing design and learning activities, collaborating effectively in a team environment and adapting to new requirements and technologies.

8. Discipline objective (as results from the *key competences gained*)

8.1 General objective	The overall objective of discipline consists in the study and application of systematic, disciplined and quantifiable approaches in software systems development
8.2 Specific objectives	• Study and application of software development processes • Understanding the specific activities of software engineering • Knowledge of software engineering models • Knowledge of specific tools that can assist software engineers in the specification, design and validation process • Knowledge of methods for software modeling and performance analysis • Application of processes, methods and tools in small to medium-sized software projects

9. Contents

9.1 Lectures	Hours	Teaching methods	Notes
Introduction and overview of the course	2	PowerPoint presentations, examples, questions, discussion.	
Software development paradigms: basic ('waterfall', prototyping, reusable components, formal methods) and evolutionary paradigms (incremental development, spiral model, concurrent engineering)	2		
Modern software processes: the unified software development process, agile methods and extreme programming	2		
Basic software engineering activities (specification, development, validation, evolution): concepts and principles	2		
Developing requirements: domain analysis, techniques for gathering requirements, capturing requirements as use cases	2		

Formal specification: formal modeling and analysis, introduction to probabilistic model checking	2		
Tools in support of formal methods: PRISM probabilistic model checker, software performance modeling and analysis.	2		
Modeling with classes: UML class and object diagrams, semantics of UML class diagrams, the process of developing class diagrams, implementing class diagrams in Java	2		
Using Design Patterns (Abstraction-Occurrence, Composite, Observer, Delegation, Adapter, Façade, Proxy, etc)	2		
Modeling software behavior: UML interaction diagrams (sequence and communication diagrams), UML state diagrams	2		
Architecting and designing software: design principles (increase cohesion, reduce coupling), architectural styles (Multi-Layer, Pipe - and-Filter, etc.)	2		
Testing and inspecting to ensure high quality: testing techniques	2		
(equivalence partitioning, path testing), integration testing strategies (top-down, bottom-up, scenario-based), inspections			
Use case driven development: use case specifications, analysis, design and implementation to realize the use cases, testing the use cases	2		
Program specification and verification: well-founded induction, pre - and post-conditions, declarative prototyping	2		
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9.2 Applications – Laboratory	Hours	Teaching methods	Notes
OCSF – an object client-server framework for reuse oriented development	2		
Simple Chat - an instant messaging system based on OCSF (1)	2		
Simple Chat - an instant messaging system based on OCSF (2)	2		
Using software modeling CASE tools: UML use case, class, interaction, state, component and deployment diagrams	2		
Using CASE tools for software performance modeling and analysis: PRISM model checker	2		
Using Design Patterns	2		
Test cases design, using Junit	2		
The project class attempts to simulate various aspects of the real world of software engineering. The students define the problem to be solved and the scope of the project under the supervision of the teaching assistant. Working alone is permitted, but they are encouraged to work in teams. The students employ the paradigms and the software development methods that are presented in the taught course, e.g., following the SaaS (Software as a Service) model. Students may opt to use tools for formal design and verification (model checkers, theorem provers). They are expected to deliver three iterations of the project with predefined deadlines. For a traditional ‘waterfall’ project the deadlines correspond to requirements specification, design, and the final deliverable. The project will be delivered in week 13.	14		

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*Se vor preciza, după caz: tematica seminariilor, lucrările de laborator, tematica și etapele proiectului.

10. Bridging course contents with the expectations of the representatives of the community, professional associations and employers in the field

Software Engineering is a well-established discipline in Computer Science and Information Technology. In this course, students acquire basic knowledge related to software development (paradigms, methods and tools) and learn to apply systematic and quantifiable approaches in the development of software systems. Course content has been developed based on interaction with specialists in Software Engineering from Romania, Europe (UK, Greece), US and Canada and has been rated by Romanian government agencies (CNEAA and ARACIS).

11. Evaluation

Activity type	Assessment criteria	Assessment methods	Weight in the final grade
Course	Problem solving skills	Written exam	75%
Seminar	-	-	-
Laboratory	Software design and validation skills	Laboratory colloquium,	5%
Project		Project assessment	20%

Minimum standard of performance:
 Development of a medium size software project using the skills taught in the Software Engineering course. Grade calculus: 5% laboratory + 20% project + 35% final exam
 Conditions for participating in the final exam: Laboratory ≥ 5 , Project ≥ 5
 Conditions for promotion: grade ≥ 5

Date of filling in:	Responsible	Title First name Last name	Signature
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