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# **COURSE DESCRIPTION CARD - SYLLABUS**

Course name		
Engineering Problems Solving by Sim	ple and Advanced M	lethods
Course		
Field of study		Year/Semester
Mechanical Engineering		III/1
Area of study (specialization)		Profile of study
technical sciences		general academic
Level of study		Course offered in
First-cycle studies		English
Form of study		Requirements
full-time		elective
Number of hours		
Lecture	Laboratory classes	Other (e.g. online)
7		
Tutorials	Projects/seminars	
	8	
Number of credit points		
2		
Lecturers		
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Prerequisites		
Knowledge: basic knowledge of engi	neering and manage	ment. mathemetics (core curriculum for

secondary schools, basic level)

Skills: ability to solve elementary problems of engineering based on possessed knowledge, usage of mathematical and engineering issues, the ability to acquire information from indicated sources

Social competences: understanding the need of further education; willingness to cooperate with a team

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### **Course objective**

1. Obtaining knowledge of engineering problems solving methods (simple and advanced) in the scope determined by the content of the curriculum, appropriate for the field of study

2. Development of skills to solve simple and advanced engineering problems, perform simple and advanced analysis of problem solving based on gained knowledge

3. Developing teamwork skills.

#### **Course-related learning outcomes**

#### Knowledge

Student is able to define the basic engineering concepts in the range of course content, appropriate for the field of study, deepened knowledge of solving engineering problems by the use of simple and advanced problem solving methods, broaden creative thinking.

#### Skills

Student is able to obtain information from the literature, databases and other carefully selected sources (also in j. English) in mechanics and mechanical engineering and other technical and engineering problems consistent with the field of study; can integrate the information obtained, to make their interpretation, as well as draw conclusions and formulate and justify opinions.

Student is able to choose the problem solving method for engineering problems, conduct a basic level analysis

#### Social competences

Student is able to cooperate in a team, be responsible for his/her position in the team and actively participate in analysis and problem solving process, set priorities for implementation of the task

#### Methods for verifying learning outcomes and assessment criteria

Learning outcomes presented above are verified as follows:

Evaluation of performed verbal presentations and paper version of final project that includes the analysis of solving the selected engineering problem by at least three simple and one advanced methods.

#### **Programme content**

Engineering Problems Solving Process, creative tools, The task or problem? Creative design. Define problems. The human mind - a tool for creativity. Simple troubleshooting techniques, such as. Questions Quintilianus, scribble da Vinci, Arnolds Postcards, SCAMPER, DOIT, questioning assumptions, reamer view and ideas De Bono, etc., And advanced problem-solving methods, such as. Simplex, brainstorming, sketching mind, six thinking hats, etc. Algorithmic creative thinking-how innovative thinking and basics of TRIZ algorithm. Information technology to help resolve problems.

#### **Teaching methods**



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Lectures: multimedia presentations, a presentation illustrated with examples given on the board. Project/seminar: evaluation of multimedia and verbal presentations, discussion about problem analysis.

#### Bibliography

Basic

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#### Breakdown of average student's workload

	Hours	ECTS
Total workload	62	2,0
Classes requiring direct contact with the teacher	20	1,0
Student's own work (literature studies, preparation for seminar	42	1,0
classes/tutorials, preparation for tests/exam, project		
preparation) <sup>1</sup>		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> delete or add other activities as appropriate