Study programme(s): Computer Science

Level: Bachelor Academic Studies

Course title: Introduction to Programming

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Status: obligatory

ECTS: 8

Requirements: none

Learning objectives

Enabling the student to understand the concepts of (computer) programming, problem analysis and their implementation in a concrete programming language using the procedural programming style.

Learning outcomes

Minimum: At the end of the course it is expected from a successful student to demonstrate understanding of the concepts of (computer) programming, ability to understand problems and the implementation of solutions in a concrete programming language, with the use of available libraries.

Desirable: At the end of the course it is expected from a successful student to demonstrate a deep understanding of the concepts of (computer) programming, ability to understand and analyze problems and implement solutions using the procedural programming style.

Syllabus

Theoretical instruction

Computers, programs, programming languages, Java. Program elements and structure. Primitive data types, statements, expressions. Control and iteration statements. References, referential types. Classes, arrays, enums. Class members: fields, methods. Introduction to algorithms. Recursion. Iterative and recursive approaches. Introduction to abstract data types. Example implementation of an abstract data type, using arrays, in procedural and object-oriented styles.

Practical instruction

Practicing the understanding of basic principles of the procedural programming style. Practicing control and iteration statements, as well as primitive, referential, and abstract data types. Practical implementation of algorithms using an appropriate editor and compiler.

Literature

Recomended

- 1. D. J. Eck. Introduction to Programming Using Java. 7th edition, 2014. http://math.hws.edu/javanotes/
- 2. J. Gosling, B. Joy, G. Steele, G. Bracha, A. Buckley. The Java Language Specification. Oracle America, Inc., Java SE 8 edition, 2015.
- 3. R. Gallardo, S. Hommel, S. Kannan, J. Gordon, S. B. Zakhour. The Java Tutorial: A Short Course on the Basics. Addison-Wesley, 6th edition, 2015.

Weekly teachin				
Lectures:	Exercises:	Practical Exercises:	Student research:	Other:
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Teaching methodology

Lectures are organized using classic teaching methods with use of a projector. Principles of procedural programming are explained and illustrated with appropriate examples in a concrete programming language (currently, Java). Exercises are performed with classic teaching methods, where principles of procedural programming are practiced through illustrative examples. Computers are used to implement solutions to problems in an appropriate environment (editor+compiler). Students' knowledge acquired at lectures and exercises is evaluated through solution of four practical problems (compulsory) and two written tests (elective). At the oral part of the exam, by answering questions students demonstrate deeper understanding of analysis and implementation of problem solutions using the procedural programming style.

Grading method (maximal number of points 100)

Pre-exam oblications	points	Final exam	points
practical exercises – individual problems	60	oral examination (obligatory)	20-40
		tests (elective)	0-20