Course Unit Descriptor

Study Programme: Physics

Course Unit Title: Methodology of Problem Solving

Course Unit Code: P18MRRZ

Name of Lecturer(s): Full Professor Maja Stojanović

Type and Level of Studies: Master of Science in Teaching Physics

Course Status (compulsory/elective): Elective

Semester (winter/summer): Summer

Language of instruction: English

Mode of course unit delivery (face-to-face/distance learning): Face-to-face

Number of ECTS Allocated: 8

Prerequisites: None

Course Aims:

The study of physical laws through numerical problems.

Learning Outcomes:

After completing the course, students should have developed:

- General abilities: solving problems in physics and explaining the physics background of the particular problem.
- Subject-specific abilities: knowledge of the methodological approach to explaining the basic physical laws through problem solving.

Syllabus:

Theory

Treatment of particular sections of the General physics in terms of numerical problems with emphasis on students' theoretical knowledge necessary for problem solving. Solving of particular problems and the analysis of solutions obtained by different methods.

Practice

Independent problem solving related to various sections of physics.

Required Reading:

Rubin H. Landau, Manuel José Páez Mejía, Computational Physics: Problem Solving With Computers, Wiley-Interscience, 1997

Weekly Contact Hours: Lectures: 3 Practical work: 2

Teaching Methods:

Theoretical classes are performed using modern methods of presentation, with the active participation of students, a practical training includes preparation and presentation of a seminar work

Knowledge Assessment (maximum of 100 points): 100

Pre-exam obligations	points	Final exam	points
Active class		written exam	30
participation		written exam	30
Practical work		oral exam	30
Preliminary exam(s)			

Seminar(s)	40	