

EUROPEAN CREDIT TRANSFER AND ACCUMULATION SYSTEM (ECTS) pl. M. Skłodowskiej-Curie 5, 60-965 Poznań

# **COURSE DESCRIPTION CARD - SYLLABUS**

Course name		
Diploma seminar		
		Course
Field of study		Year/Semester
Construction and Exploitation of Means of Transport		2/3
Area of study (specialization)		Profile of study
Motor Vehicles		general academic
Level of study		Course offered in
Second-cycle studies		Polish
Form of study		Requirements
part-time		compulsory
		Number of hours
Lecture	Laboratory classes	Other (e.g. online)
0	0	0
Tutorials	Projects/seminars	
0	9	
Number of credit points		
18		
		Lecturers
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**Prerequisites** 

KNOWLEDGE: The graduate has a basic knowledge of the principles of conducting design and research work. He knows the importance of having adequate information in solving tasks.

SKILLS: The graduate student is able to search and integrate the obtained information, interpret it, draw conclusions, and use IT tools.

SOCIAL COMPETENCES: The graduate is aware of the importance and understands non-technical, especially formal and legal aspects and the effects of implementing a promotional master's thesis and the need to undergo verification in terms of professional knowledge.



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### **Course objective**

The objective of the course is to familiarize graduates with the requirements for a diploma - master's thesis. Students acquire the ability to present and interpret the literature studies and the results own research. Additionally, students are acquaited with the methodology and technique of writing of master's diploma thesis.

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

Knowledge

1. The graduate student knows the rules of preparing and carrying out activities aimed at achieving the assumed goal of the master's thesis.

2. Knows the basics of creative ethics - avoiding plagiarism, quoting and displaying original achievements.

3. Knows the necessary editorial basics and techniques of writing a study in a text / formula editor.

4. Knows the rules for presenting and interpreting the results of the work performed during the diploma thesis.

5. Knows the steps and procedure of formal preparation for defense of diploma work, and the course of defense

#### Skills

1. Student is able to carry out research / design an object or technology, and conduct a review analysis necessary to achieve the goal of the diploma master's thesis.

2. Can formulate the subject, genesis and tasks of master's thesis, resulting from its scope.

3. Is able to develop the results and interpret the results of their activities and present the resulting conclusions.

4. Can present the essential elements of the master's thesis in the form of a multimedia presentation.

5. Can compose a multi-page study, in accordance with the rules, in a text editor.

6. Can write summaries in Polish and in foreign languages, and correctly write and quote the referenced literature.

### Social competences

1. Student acquires awareness of the need to use the knowledge obtained during the entire studies (first and second cycles) in order to correctly perform the tasks related to his competences.

2. Is aware of the importance of master's diploma thesis as a form of professional and social promotion.

3. Can assess the effects of non-compliance with the formal, legal and ethical principles of master's thesis implementation.

4. Can independently develop his knowledge and set directions for further activities.





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5. Acquires teamwork skills in the case of master's diploma work carried out by more than one author.

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

#### Learning outcomes presented above are verified as follows:

A credit for a diploma seminar with a grade is issued on the basis of a set of presentations that have been planned as part of the seminar, paper or co-presentation. The amount of the grade depends on the level of presentations, the course of master's work and its level, and estimated by the lecturer the progress of work. Additionally, the evaluation is influenced by the activity of the seminar participants in discussions on seminar and their attendance.

#### **Programme content**

- Introduction and organization of the subject - a repetition of the formal, legal and methodological foundations for the preparation and realization of the master's diploma thesis and setting the dates of individual speeches of graduates in accordance with the subject of the diploma thesis.

- Fundamentals of the methodology presentation, concerning the subject of master's thesis presentation of the subject of the master's work, its genesis, the purpose, the tasks, the way of achieving the goal, and the scope in the form of a diploma work plan, and literature related to the subject of master's work (presentation in Power Point, used to a large extent for the preparation of the thesis durin the defense).

- Individual presentations of master's thesis - individual speeches of graduates with presentations of the subject, genesis, goal and diploma plan; discussion of the structure of the master's work and substantive issues of the work and own original contribution; comments and summary of students' speeches by the teacher.

- Presentation of the realization of the master's thesis - individual reporting on the progress of diploma work, written in a text editor, containing graphic objects, and results of own master's studies, testing, research, both completed activities and in progress. Reporting the obtained results and their interpretation, presentation of possible problems with the realization of the master's work; discussion.

- Summary of the stage of master's thesis - summary of individual speeches graduate students related to the realization of master's diploma work; discussion with current presenters and other seminar participants.

- Preparation for the defense of an master's diploma work - reminding of formal requirements for work at the Faculty as well as for documents and preparatory procedures for the defense of the diploma thesis and the examination from field of study.

### **Teaching methods**

1. Individual multimedia presentations of the graduates in Power-Point of the subject, genesis, goal and master's diploma work plan.



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2. Individual multimedia presentations of graduates in a text editor (Word) of the progress of writing the master's diploma work.

3. Discussion on the speeches with the participation of graduate students and summary by the lecturer.

# Bibliography

Basic

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# Breakdown of average student's workload

	Hours	ECTS
Total workload	450	18,0
Classes requiring direct contact with the teacher	25	1,0
Student's own work (literature studies, preparation for	425	17,0
laboratory classes/tutorials, preparation for tests/exam, project		
preparation) <sup>1</sup>		

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