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# **COURSE DESCRIPTION CARD - SYLLABUS**

## Course name Measurement methods in occupational safety and ergonomics

#### Course

Field of study			
Safety Engineering			
Area of study (specialization)			
Ergonomics and Work Safety			
Level of study			
Second-cycle studies			
Form of study			
full-time			

Year/Semester 1/2 Profile of study general academic Course offered in Polish Requirements elective

### Number of hours

Lecture	Laboratory classes	Other (e.g. online)
15		
Tutorials	Projects/seminars	
15	15	
Number of credit points		
5		

#### Lecturers

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A student beginning his/her studies should have basic knowledge of measuring technology and physical parameters. He or she is able to recognize basic measuring equipment in the field of ergonomics and work safety. Moreover, he or she is aware of the role and importance of measurements in ensuring safety and shaping ergonomics in the work environment.

### **Course objective**

Getting to know the methods, tools and measuring equipment that enable the diagnosis of environmental parameters, the way of performing work and the psychophysical capabilities of an employee.

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

#### Knowledge

1. the student knows the basic methods of sample selection for research and the principles of designing experiments that make it possible to determine the causes of phenomena shaping relations in the work environment and human psychophysical activity [P7S\_WG\_02]

2. the student knows the factors determining the state of safety and ergonomics, as well as the measures that allow to determine its level [P7S\_WK\_03]

The student is familiar with the methodological problems of ergonomic diagnostics, techniques, diagnostic procedures, psychosomatic workload, evaluation of ergonomics and safety, methodology and methodology of measuring body loads resulting from the way of performing work, rules concerning ergonomic conditions of achieving efficiency of human-technical systems [P7S\_WK\_03].

#### Skills

1. the student is able to plan research experiments on the basis of literature sources in order to establish causal relationships in the living and working environment - [P7S\_UW\_01]

2. the student is able to apply various measuring techniques in professional and other environments, also in foreign languages, in order to support decision-making problems - [P7S\_UW\_04].

3. the student is able to prepare in Polish and English a well-documented report (research study of problems) on measured parameters and conclusions resulting from the identified variability of measured features - [P7S\_UW\_05].

4. the student is able to prepare and present an oral presentation concerning measurement methods, measuring apparatus, research methodology and conditions of preparation of measurement experiments in the field of ergonomics and work safety in Polish and foreign languages - [P7S\_UK\_01].

5. the student is able to search for characteristics of measurement methods in the field of ergonomics and work safety and is able to indicate the directions of development of measurement methods - [P7S\_UW\_03].

6. the student is able - when formulating problems requiring measurement identification and during measurements - to notice interaction and/or interdependencies between measured phenomena and parameters - [P7S\_UU\_01].



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7. the student is able to develop a proposal of adaptation of measuring techniques and methods (validation) to support decision-making and the level of ergonomics and safety at work - [P7S\_UO\_01].

8 The student has the necessary preparation to work in positions requiring preparation and ordering measurements in the field of ergonomics and diagnosis of the work environment and is able to recognize the correctness and principles of organization and conduct of such studies - [P7S\_UW\_06].

9. the student is able to organize the work of the research team indicating the methodology, selection of measuring equipment, research questionnaires, research schedule, division of work and conditions of preparing a report with conclusions enabling to support the decision on work safety and ergonomics - [P7S\_UW\_02].

Social competences

1. the student understands the need for and knows the basic directions of further training in the field of measurements of quantitative characteristics characterizing the level of ergonomics and safety at work [P7S\_KK\_01]

2. the student is aware of the responsibility for the reliable preparation of the equipment and the measurement methodology and the impact of these activities on the health and life of employees [P7S\_KK\_01].

3. the student is able to see the causal-relationships between the measured parameters, select the proper measurement methods and reject unethical measurement activities which treat the object of research superficially and incompletely [P7S\_KK\_01].

### Methods for verifying learning outcomes and assessment criteria

Learning outcomes presented above are verified as follows: Formal evaluation:

- within the scope of exercise classes: on the basis of colloquials requiring solving practical tasks,

- projects: evaluation of the implementation of project tasks,

- for lectures: on the basis of written answers to questions on curriculum content.

Summary evaluation:

- in the scope of the training classes: the average of the grades from the colloquia,

- projects: evaluation of the implementation of the project tasks carried out in the given chapters; a credit after obtaining at least a score of 3.0 (the condition is to prepare the main tasks),

- for lectures: a pass in a colloquium in the form of a test containing open questions and a choice of answers in which at least one answer is correct (the answer is scored as 0 or 1; the pass is obtained after obtaining at least 51% of the possible points.

### **Programme content**



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Measurement theory and metrology. Measurements of the material working environment, the way of working and psychophysical efficiency. Legal regulations concerning the performance of measurements. Competence of measurement and testing laboratories. Use of measurement results in the field of ergonomics and work safety.

Theme 1: Introduction. Characteristics of measuring ranges in safety and ergonomics. Basic metrological terminology;

Topic 2: Measurement of anthropometric characteristics - apparatus, instruments and principles;

Topic 3: Measurements of physical activity;

Topic 4: Measurements of psychophysiological fitness;

Topic 5: Measurements in diagnosing the way work is done;

Topic 6: Measurement apparatus in the diagnosis of the work environment;

Topic 7: Measurement uncertainty;

### **Teaching methods**

Lecture supported by a multimedia presentation and measurement experiments. During the training classes, students use outlines for tasks including preparation and execution of measurements in the work environment and during the analysis of product ergonomics, as well as solve calculation tasks. During the design classes, the students design the process of research and analysis of ergonomics of the workplace for the given evaluation criteria.

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# Breakdown of average student's workload

	Hours	ECTS
Total workload	125	5,0
Classes requiring direct contact with the teacher	50	2,0
Student's own work (literature studies, preparation for	75	3,0
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