



## COURSE DESCRIPTION CARD - SYLLABUS

Course name

User-HVAC interaction [N2IŚrod2-ZwCKiOP>UI]

### Course

Field of study

Environmental Engineering

Year/Semester

2/3

Area of study (specialization)

Heating, Air Conditioning and Air Protection

Profile of study

general academic

Level of study

second-cycle

Course offered in

Polish

Form of study

part-time

Requirements

compulsory

### Number of hours

Lecture

0

Laboratory classes

0

Other

0

Tutorials

0

Projects/seminars

8

### Number of credit points

1,00

### Coordinators

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### Lecturers

### Prerequisites

Fundamentals of HVAC design and operation. Fundamentals of microclimate analysis of the built environment and indoor environment quality factors. Basic of building physics. Ability to share one's skills with people in a group, understanding the need for continuous learning and updating one's knowledge.

### Course objective

Understanding the perspective of users and operators of HVAC systems, that will enable more conscious design of technical building systems.

### Course-related learning outcomes

Knowledge:

Knowledge of methods for evaluating the built environment by users.

Knowledge of the problems associated with the use of HVAC facilities.

Knowledge of behavioral theories and scientific concepts describing user-building interaction.

Knowledge of research methods for user-building interaction.

Skills:

The student is able to formulate a research problem in the field of use of HVAC systems.  
The student is able to prepare and apply a tool for analyzing problems related to the use of HVAC systems.  
The student is able to analyze the results of research and formulate proposals for solving the observed problems related to the use of HVAC system.

Social competences:

Awareness of the user's perspective when designing engineering solutions.

Ability to present engineering issues to their users.

### Methods for verifying learning outcomes and assessment criteria

Learning outcomes presented above are verified as follows:

Project: evaluation of the conducted research of the problem related to the use of HVAC systems, taking into account:

- the correctness of the formulation of the research problem,
- relevance of the selected research tool (research method)
- the quality of the prepared research tool,
- the diligence in conducting the research,
- the depth of analysis of the collected data and discussion of the obtained results.

Verification will take place in the presentation of the completed work to the group.

### Programme content

Learn and study the perspective of the HVAC user

### Course topics

Project:

Discussion of issues in the form of a seminar:

- Behavioral theories and scientific concepts describing user-building interactions.
- Comfort in the built environment.
- Interface of technical building facilities.
- Research methods in the social sciences.
- Contemporary problems of energy systems.
- Post Occupancy Evaluation.

Formulation of the research problem, preparation of the research tool, conducting the study, analysis of the results and presentation of data.

### Teaching methods

Project: multimedia presentation and problem-based learning.

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### Breakdown of average student's workload

|                                                                                                                                         | Hours | ECTS |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|------|
| Total workload                                                                                                                          | 25    | 1,00 |
| Classes requiring direct contact with the teacher                                                                                       | 8     | 0,50 |
| Student's own work (literature studies, preparation for laboratory classes/ tutorials, preparation for tests/exam, project preparation) | 17    | 0,50 |