Information Architecture

Academic Year: (2019/2020)

Department assigned to the subject: Library and Information Sciences Department

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Type: Compulsory ECTS Credits : 6.0

Year : 1 Semester : 1

## REQUIREMENTS (SUBJECTS THAT ARE ASSUMED TO BE KNOWN)

There are no specific course prerequisites for this course

#### OBJECTIVES

After completing the course satisfactorily, students should know:

- Theoretical principles and methods of information architecture with a practical orientation for different environments, applications and artifacts.

- Articulate principles of user-centered design and employ some of its tools in a practical way.

- Products to communicate the results of design processes.

Acquire skills in:

- Planning, developing and designing information architectures.

- Use formal models to identify and integrate users, user requirements and user characteristics in the design of information architectures.

- Communicate knowledge and information architecture solutions combining words and diagrams in the context of a hypothetical project.

And acquire competences in:

- Apply scientific theories and methods on information architecture, interactive design, organize categories, test users and information

- The principles involved in the organization and representation of recorded knowledge and information.

- Organize and communicate information and knowledge through the information architecture

- Identify and structure their own learning needs in relation to the use of the information architecture in a specific context

### DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS: PROGRAMME

- 1.- Information architecture. Concepts and approaches. Subjects related.
- 2.- User experience. Usability of interactive systems. Guidelines, principles, theories.
- 3.- Design approaches. Creative processes in the design. Design methods.
- 4.- Navigation and interaction. Interaction styles.
- 5.- Display design. Order and organization of information. Visual design.
- 6.- Information search. Modeling and user behaviors.
- 7.- Evaluation and the user experience. Evaluation methods. Metrics.
- 8.- Documentation for design and planning. Flowcharts, maps, wireframes, prototypes.

### LEARNING ACTIVITIES AND METHODOLOGY

LA 1. Individual work for the study of theoretical and practical materials developed and contributed by the teacher

- LA 2. Individual work for problem solving and case studies
- LA 3. Videos tutorials
- LA 4. Active participation in forums enabled by the teacher in the virtual educational platform
- LA 5. Working in groups for solving a prototype

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TEACHING METHODOLOGIES M 1. Explanations of the teacher with support of computer and audiovisual media, in which the main concepts of the subjects are developed M 2. Critical reading of texts recommended by the professor of the subject M 3. Discussion question M 4. Case study

### ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

# % end-of-term-examination/test:60% of continuous assessment (assignents, laboratory, practicals...):40

Continuous assessment will be carried out by following the skills and abilities developed by students. It is evaluated through the supervision and correction of proposed exercises, tasks, discussions, case study.

% end-of-term-examination : 60% % of continuous assessment (assigments, laboratory, practicals ...): 40%

The final grade is summative.

NOTE: Plagiarism in whatever assgnment means loosing the grade of that assignment and a reduction of 25% of the final grade of the whole course. Independent of the application of the UC3M regulations in this regard.

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