

Course Title	Human Computer Interaction				
Course Code	CSC668				
Course Type	Elective				
Level	Master (2 <sup>nd</sup> Cycle)				
Year / Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Year / 1 <sup>st</sup> Semester				
Teacher's Name	TBA				
ECTS	10	Lectures / week	3 hours / 14 weeks	Laboratories / week	N/A
Course Purpose and Objectives	<p>HCI is an interdisciplinary field that integrates theories and methodologies from computer science, cognitive psychology, design, and many other areas. Issues include: command languages, menus, forms, graphical user interfaces, computer supported cooperative work, information search and visualization, World Wide Web design and display design.</p> <p>The aim of this course is to provide the student with a basic knowledge of Human-Computer Interaction (HCI) and investigate specific issues involving HCI and user-interface design. Design methodologies for optimum Human Computer Interaction Systems and evaluation methods for HCI systems will be presented.</p> <p>Contemporary topics in HCI (i.e.-alternative human sensory channels for interacting with computers, GroupWare and customizable computer systems) will also be investigated.</p> <p>Students will work on both individual and team projects to design, implement and evaluate computer interfaces.</p>				
Learning Outcomes	<p>Upon successful completion of this course students should be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Apply a variety of human computer interaction theoretical models.</li> <li>• Design a user interface from specification to completion.</li> <li>• Design a user manual for a substantial piece of software.</li> <li>• Describe non-WIMP interaction styles and their theoretical bases.</li> <li>• Manage communication between human factors engineers and computer scientists on user interface development projects.</li> <li>• Apply concepts and strategies for making design decisions.</li> <li>• Describe tools, techniques, and ideas for interface design.</li> <li>• Evaluate literature of human-computer interaction.</li> <li>• Explain the importance of good user interface design.</li> </ul>				
Prerequisites	CSC615	Co-requisites	None		
Course Content	<p>Introduction:  What is HCI, Significance of proper HCI in computer systems. Capabilities and limitations of humans and computers – Input Output channels, information storing and information processing, reasoning. Psychology and the design of interactive systems. Models of interaction, Ergonomics, Interaction Styles, Universal Usability</p>				

	<p>Design of HCI systems:  Paradigms for Interaction  Understanding and conceptualizing interaction: Conceptual models, interface metaphors, interaction paradigms  Understanding users  Designing for collaboration and communication: Social mechanisms, Conceptual frameworks  Understanding how interfaces affect users  The process of interaction design  Identifying needs and establishing requirements  Design rules, usability engineering, Iterative design and prototyping.</p> <p>Models of the User/System in Design:  Cognitive models, goal and task hierarchies, Linguistic models, physical and device models. Standard Formalisms, Interaction models, Status - Event Analysis.</p> <p>Task Analysis:  Task decomposition, knowledge based analysis, Relationship based techniques.</p> <p>Implementation Support:  Elements of windowing systems, user interface management systems.</p> <p>Evaluation of an interaction system:  Goals of evaluation, evaluation styles, evaluating the design/implementation. Choosing an evaluation method.</p> <p>Help and Documentation:  Requirements of User support. Approaches to user support, Intelligent help systems.</p> <p>The Psychology of Human Computer Interaction: Cognitive Psychology and HCI, Human Abilities, Task Analysis, Predictive Evaluation, Cognitive Models, GOMS, Contextual Methods</p> <p>Presentation / User Interfaces: Design of Everyday Things, Graphic Design, Prototyping, Interaction Styles</p> <p>Computer Supported Cooperative Work (CSCW): Online Community Participation, Remote cooperation, Cooperation with Agents.</p> <p>New Paradigms: Intelligent User Interfaces, Ubiquitous Computing, Tangible User Interfaces, Virtual Reality and Virtual Environments, Augmented Reality, Novel Display Surfaces.</p> <p>Contemporary topics in HCI:  Groupware: Introduction, Meeting and Decision support systems, Shared applications, Frameworks for Groupware. Computer-mediated communication.</p>
Teaching Methodology	Face-to-face

Bibliography	<p>Helen Sharp, Jennifer Preece, Yvonne Rogers, INTERACTION DESIGN: BEYOND HUMAN-COMPUTER INTERACTION, John Wiley &amp; Sons.</p> <p>Preece, J., Sharp, H. and Rogers, Y. (2015) Interaction Design, Wiley</p> <p>Shneiderman, B., Plaisant, C., Cohen, M., Jacobs, S., Elmqvist, N. and Diakopoulos, N. (2016) Designing the User Interface: Strategies for Effective Human-Computer Interaction, Pearson.</p> <p>Carroll, J. M., HCI MODELS, THEORIES AND FRAMEWORKS: TOWARD A MULTIDISCIPLINARY SCIENCE, Morgan Kaufmann.</p> <p>Benyon, D., Turner, P.,and Turner, S.DESIGNING INTERACTIVE SYSTEMS: PEOPLE, ACTIVITIES, CONTEXTS, TECHNOLOGIES. Addison-Wesley.</p>								
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