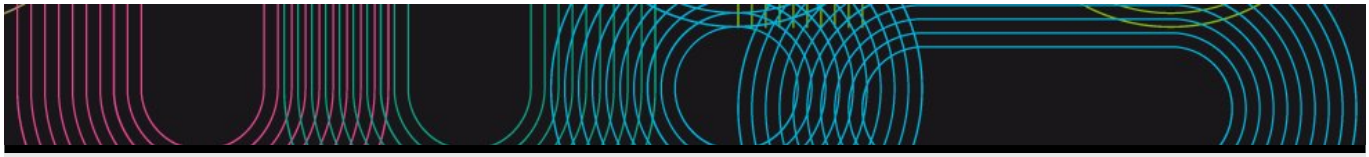

IDENTIFYING DATA				
Basics of bioengineering				
Subject	Basics of bioengineering			
Code	V05G300V01915			
Study programme	(*)Grao en Enxeñaría de Tecnoloxías de Telecomunicación			
Descriptors	ECTS Credits	Choose	Year	Quadmester
	6	Optional	4th	1st
Teaching language	English			
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General description	This course provides an introduction to several aspects of biomedical engineering, including basic concepts of human physiology, description of most common systems and biomedical signals, and a brief introduction to several electromedical systems. This course will be tough and evaluated in English. All the documentation for this course will be in English.			

Competencies	
Code	
B3	CG3: The knowledge of basic subjects and technologies that capacitates the student to learn new methods and technologies, as well as to give him great versatility to confront and update to new situations
B4	CG4: The ability to solve problems with initiative, to make creative decisions and to communicate and transmit knowledge and skills, understanding the ethical and professional responsibility of the Technical Telecommunication Engineer activity.
B9	CG9: The ability to work in multidisciplinary groups in a Multilanguage environment and to communicate, in writing and orally, knowledge, procedures, results and ideas related with Telecommunications and Electronics.
B10	CG10 The ability for critical reading of scientific papers and docs.
C72	(CE72/OP15) The knowledge of biomedical engineering elements and techniques and their application in solving therapy, monitoring and diagnostic problems.
D2	CT2 Understanding Engineering within a framework of sustainable development.
D3	CT3 Awareness of the need for long-life training and continuous quality improvement, showing a flexible, open and ethical attitude toward different opinions and situations, particularly on non-discrimination based on sex, race or religion, as well as respect for fundamental rights, accessibility, etc.
D4	CT4 Encourage cooperative work, and skills like communication, organization, planning and acceptance of responsibility in a multilingual and multidisciplinary work environment, which promotes education for equality, peace and respect for fundamental rights.

Learning outcomes			
Expected results from this subject	Training and Learning Results		
Know the systemic structure of the human physiology.	B3 B10	C72	D3
Identify biomedical signals and learn their utility in the clinical environment.	B3 B4 B9 B10	C72	D2 D3 D4
Adapt the adquired knowledge to propose solutions for the design of systems for diagnosis, monitorization and therapy.	B3 B4 B9 B10	C72	D2 D3 D4

Strengthen the capacity to follow a technical class in English.	B9 B10	D4

Contents	
Topic	
1. Introduction to biomedical engineering.	Physiology and anatomy of the circulatory system. Measurements in the cardiovascular system. Nervous and endocrine systems. Introduction to chronobiology.
2. Biomedical signals and systems.	Linear least-square estimation. Model comparison and analysis of variance. Techniques for model construction. Introduction to rhythmometry.
3. Diagnosis, monitorization, and therapy.	Criteria for the diagnosis of vascular risk. Ambulatory blood pressure monitoring. Treatment of hypertension: Current approaches. Chronotherapy for cardiovascular risk reduction. Early identification and prevention of complications in pregnancy.
4. Electromedical systems.	Diagnosis by X rays. Nuclear medicine. Ultrasounds. Nuclear magnetic resonance. Biotelemetry. Telemedicine.

Planning			
	Class hours	Hours outside the classroom	Total hours
Tutored works	2	35	37
Presentations / exhibitions	7	9	16
Troubleshooting and / or exercises	10	15	25
Master Session	21	42	63
Short answer tests	2	7	9
*The information in the planning table is for guidance only and does not take into account the heterogeneity of the students.			

Methodologies	
	Description
Tutored works	The student, in groups, prepares a document on an application of Biomedical Engineering.
Presentations / exhibitions	Exhibition by the students in front of the professor and the rest of students of the work realized in small groups.
Troubleshooting and / or exercises	Some topics will be complemented with problem resolution.
Master Session	Exposición por parte del profesor de los conceptos principales de cada tema. Trabajo personal posterior del estudiante preparando o repasando los conceptos vistos en el aula.

Personalized attention	
Methodologies	**Description**
Master Session	Students will have the chance to attend tutorial sessions at the teacher´s office. Teachers will establish timetables for this purpose at the beginning of the course. This schedule will be published on the subject website.
Tutored works	Students will have the chance to attend tutorial sessions at the teacher´s office. Teachers will establish timetables for this purpose at the beginning of the course. This schedule will be published on the subject website.
Troubleshooting and / or exercises	Students will have the chance to attend tutorial sessions at the teacher´s office. Teachers will establish timetables for this purpose at the beginning of the course. This schedule will be published on the subject website.

Assessment				
	Description	Qualification	Training and Learning Results	
Tutored works	Composition, in small groups, of a monographic document related to one of the electromedical systems in bioengineering (nuclear medicine, ultrasounds, magnetic resonance, biotelemetry, telemedicine).	30	B9 B10	C72 D4

Presentations / exhibitions	Exhibition by the students of the tutored work, and discussion of the findings with the professor and other students.	10	B9 B10	C72	D4
Troubleshooting and / or exercises	Short questions on the problems solved in the practices in relation to the contents of the master sessions.	30	B3 B4	C72	D2 D3
Short answer tests	The final exam will consist on small questions and problems in relation to the master sessions, laboratory practices, and presentation of the tutored works.	30	B3 B4	C72	D2 D3

Other comments on the Evaluation

Following the guidelines of the studies, two evaluation systems will be offered to the students inscribed on this course: continuous evaluation and evaluation at the end of the semester. Students should communicate their intention to renounce to be graded through continuous evaluation before the third week of class.

The continuous evaluation will be based on the grades obtained in the tutored works and their exposition, the laboratory practices and the final test. The grades obtained throughout the continuous evaluation will only be valid for the current academic year.

The possibility of a final examination, with theory and problems, will be provided to students who do not opt for the continuous evaluation. This exam will be rated between 0 and 10, and this will be the final grade obtained.

The second chance of examination at the end of the academic year will have a similar structure to the final examination of those students who do not choose the continuous evaluation.

Sources of information

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Recommendations

Subjects that it is recommended to have taken before

Mathematics: Probability and Statistics/V05G300V01204