



## IDENTIFYING DATA

### Environmental technology

Subject	Environmental technology			
Code	V12G380V01401			
Study programme	Degree in Mechanical Engineering			
Descriptors	ECTS Credits	Choose	Year	Quadmester
	6	Mandatory	2nd	1st
Teaching language	Spanish Galician English			
Department	Chemical Engineering			
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General description	Subject that belongs to the Block of Common Subjects of the Industrial Technologies. It is part of the curricula of all Degrees of Industrial Engineering.			
	The main objective is to achieve a basic knowledge about the Treatment and management of solid wastes, wastewaters and pollutant emission to the atmosphere. It includes also the concepts of pollution prevention and sustainability.			

## Competencies

Code	
B7	CG7 Ability to analyze and assess the social and environmental impact of the technical solutions.
C16	CE16 Basic knowledge and application of environmental technologies and sustainability.
D1	CT1 Analysis and synthesis
D2	CT2 Problems resolution.
D3	CT3 Oral and written proficiency.
D9	CT9 Apply knowledge.
D10	CT10 Self learning and work.
D12	CT12 Research skills.
D17	CT17 Working as a team.
D19	CT19 Sustainability and environmental commitment. Equitable, responsible and efficient use of resources.

## Learning outcomes

Expected results from this subject	Training and Learning Results	
Basic knowledge and application of environmental technologies and sustainability	C16	D2 D3 D10 D19
Problem solving	C16	D2 D3 D10 D19

Oral and writing communication	C16	D2 D3 D10
Knowledge application to practical and real cases	C16	D2 D3 D10 D19
Analysis and synthesis	C16	D1 D2 D3 D9 D10 D12 D17 D19
Ability to analyze and determine the social and environmental impact of the technical solutions to environmental problems	B7	D1 D3 D9 D10 D17 D19

## Contents

Topic	
Lesson 1: Introduction to the environmental technology.	1. Material cycle economy. 2. Introduction to the best available techniques (BAT).
Lesson 2: Management of waste and effluents.	1. Generation of waste. Types and classification of wastes. 2. Codification of wastes. 3. Urban waste management. 4. Industrial waste management. Industrial waste treatment facilities. 5. Regulations
Lesson 3: Treatment of urban and industrial wastes.	1. Valorization. 2. Physico-chemical treatment. 3. Biological treatment. 4. Thermal treatment. 5. Landfilling. 6. Soil remediation technologies.
Lesson 4: Treatment of industrial and municipal wastewaters.	1. Characteristics of municipal and industrial wastewaters. 2. Wastewater treatment plant. 3. Sludge treatment. 4. Water treatment and reuse 5. Regulations
Lesson 5: Atmospheric pollution.	1. Types and origin of atmospheric pollutants. 2. Dispersion of pollutants in the atmosphere. 3. Effects of the atmospheric pollution. 4. Treatment of polluting gas emissions. 5. Regulations
Lesson 6: Sustainability and environmental impact assessment	1. Sustainable development 2. Life cycle analysis and economy. 3. Ecological footprint and carbon footprint. 4. Introduction to the environmental impact assessment
Practice 1: Codification of wastes	
Practice 2: Preparation of immobilized activated charcoal for use as an adsorbent.	
Practice 3: Contaminants removal by adsorption with immobilized activated charcoal.	
Practice 4: Pollutants removal by extraction with solvents.	
Practice 5: Coagulation-flocculation: Establishment of optimal working conditions.	
Practice 6: Simulation of certain stages of a EDAR	

## Planning

	Class hours	Hours outside the classroom	Total hours
Lecturing	26	52	78
Problem solving	11	22	33

Laboratory practices	12	12	24
Short answer tests	2	4	6
Practices report	0	6	6
Other	0	3	3

\*The information in the planning table is for guidance only and does not take into account the heterogeneity of the students.

Methodologies	
	Description
Lecturing	Teaching in the classroom of the key concepts and procedures for learning the syllabus contents
Problem solving	Solving exercises with the teacher's help and independently
Laboratory practices	Application of the knowledge acquired to the resolution of problems of environmental technology, using equipment and facilities available in the laboratory/computer room.

Personalized attention	
Methodologies	Description
Laboratory practices	
Lecturing	
Problem solving	

Assessment		Qualification	Training and Learning Results		
	Description				
Short answer tests	All exercises, seminars, practical cases and theoretical / practical tests that are made and delivered to the teacher throughout the course, related to the concepts and contents of the syllabus.  Throughout a four-month time several tests are performed.  Competences CG7 and CE16 will be assessed considering the students' answers to the theoretical questions.  Competences CT2, CT10 and CT12 will be assessed considering the students answers to the exercises.  Competenci CT3 will be assessed base on the two parts of the exam: theory and exercises; considering the precision and clarity of the answers.	30	B7	C16	D2 D3 D10 D12
Practices report	Detailed report for each practices that includes the results and their discussion.  The competences: CG7, CE16, CT1, CT3, CT9 and CT10, are assessed based on the quality of the written report elaborated by each student on his/her own. The following points will be evaluated in the report: text style and correctness, structure and presentation, analysis and discussion of the results, and conclusions.  Competences CT12 and CT17 will be assessed based on the laboratory work. Lab practices will be carried out in pairs, and it is expected the student develop research skills in the field of environmental technology. The written report must be done in pairs.	10	B7	C16	D1 D3 D9 D10 D12 D17 D19
Other	"Final Exam" consisting of problems and theoretical questions related to the syllabus of the subject.  CG7 and CE16 competences will be assessed in the exam of theory, based on student responses to the questions.  CT2 and CT9 competences will be assessed in the exam of exercises, based on the resolution of various exercises of environmental technology, which require the use of applied knowledge related to the contents of the subject.  CT1, CT3 and CT10 competences will be evaluated considering both theory and exercise exams. The exam resolution requires the student to use his/her capacity of analysis and synthesis.	60	B7	C16	D1 D2 D3 D9 D10

#### Other comments on the Evaluation

#### Evaluation:

A student who choose continuous assessment, to pass the course, must achieve a **MINIMUM SCORE** of **4.0 points** (out of 10) **in each of the parts of the "final exam"** . If a student reaches the minimum grade in both parts of the "final exam", to pass the subject must obtain a **final grade of  $\geq 5.0$** .

Students who "officially renounces continuous assessment", will make a "final exam" of theory and problems that will be worth 90% of the final grade, and a "exam of practices" that will be worth 10% of the final grade. In any case, to pass the course, the student must achieve 50% of the maximum score in each of the constituent parts of the subject, ie, theory, problems and practices.

### **Second Call:**

In the second call the same criteria apply.

In relation to the July exam, grades of the "short answer tests" and "practices" are maintained, and students only have to repeat the "final exam".

If, at the 1st call, a student suspended one of the parts of the "final exam" (theory or problems) and approves the other party with a grade  $\geq 6$ , on the July exam, you only need to repeat the suspended part.

### **Ethical commitment:**

The student is expected to present an adequate ethical behavior. If you detect "unethical behavior" (copying, plagiarism, unauthorized use of electronic devices, etc.) shall be deemed that the student does not meet the requirements for passing the subject. In this case the final grade, in the current academic year, will FAIL (0.0 points).

The use of electronic devices during the assessment tests will be allowed. The fact of introducing into the examination room an unauthorized electronic device, will be reason not pass the course in the current academic year, and the final grade will FAIL (0.0 points)

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### **Recommendations**

#### **Subjects that it is recommended to have taken before**

Physics: Physics 1/V12G360V01102

Physics: Physics 2/V12G360V01202

Chemistry: Chemistry/V12G380V01205

#### **Other comments**

To enroll in this subject is necessary to have passed or be enrolled in all subjects of previous courses to the course that is located this subject.