# **COURSE OUTLINE**

### 1. GENERAL

| SCHOOL  | NATURAL SCIENCES  |   |                               |              |  |
|---|---|---|-------------------------------|--------------|--|
| DEPARTMENT  | MATHEMATICS   |   |                               |              |  |
| LEVEL OF COURSE   | UNDERGRADUATE   |   |                               |              |  |
| COURSE CODE   | MAT_IC362 SEMESTER OF STUDIES 6 <sup>th</sup>   |   |                               |              |  |
| COURSE TITLE  | MICROCOMPUTERS  |   |                               |              |  |
| INDEPENDENT TEACHING ACTIVITIES<br>if credits are awarded for separate components of the course, e.g. lectures,<br>laboratory exercises, etc. If the credits are awarded for the whole of the<br>course, give the weekly teaching hours and the total credits |   |   | TEACHING<br>HOURS<br>PER WEEK | ECTS CREDITS |  |
| Lectures and Laboratories   |   | 4 | 6                             |              |  |
|   |   |   |                               |              |  |
| Add rows if necessary. The organisation of teaching and the teaching methods used are described in detail at (d).   |   |   |                               |              |  |
| COURSE TYPE<br>general background,<br>special background, specialised general<br>knowledge, skills development  | Elective course   |   |                               |              |  |
| PREREQUISITE COURSES:   | Recommended prerequisite knowledge: INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTERS AND PROGRAMMING WITH FORTAN |   |                               |              |  |
| TEACHING AND ASSESSMENT<br>LANGUAGE:  | Greek   |   |                               |              |  |
| THE COURSE IS OFFERED TO<br>ERASMUS STUDENTS  | Yes   |   |                               |              |  |
| COURSE WEBPAGE (URL)  | https://eclass.math.upatras.gr/courses/MATH_CMI106/                                       |   |                               |              |  |
|   | http://www.math.upatras.gr/~vrahatis/?section=courses                                     |   |                               |              |  |
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### 2. LEARNING OUTCOMES

#### Learning outcomes

Π The course learning outcomes, specific knowledge, skills and competences of an appropriate level, which the students will acquire with the successful completion of the course are described.

- Consult Appendix A
- Description of the level of learning outcomes for each qualifications cycle, according to the Qualifications Framework of the European Higher Education Area
- Descriptors for Levels 6, 7 & 8 of the European Qualifications Framework for Lifelong Learning
- and Appendix B
- Guidelines for writing Learning Outcomes

Upon completing this course, students will be able to use the Assemply language as well as they will further develop the following skills:

- Understanding the von Neumann architecture units focusing mainly on the processor structure and its basic components (ALUs, registers, flags, etc.).
- Ability to apply Boolean Algebra design logic circuits.
- Ability to use simumulators like the GNUSim8085 simulator.

After successfully attending the course, the students will be able to use the Assembly language to provide algorithmic solutions to complex mathematical problems that require very high precision calculations or require very large numbers.

| General Abilities  |   |  |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|--|
| Taking into consideration the general competences that the degree-holder must acquire (as these appear in the Diploma Supplement and |   |  |  |  |
| appear below), at which of the following does the course aim?  |   |  |  |  |
| Search for, analysis and synthesis of data and   | Project planning and management   |  |  |  |
| information, with the use of the necessary technology  | Respect for difference and multiculturalism                                       |  |  |  |
| Adapting to new situations   | Respect for the natural environment   |  |  |  |
| Decision-making  | Showing social, professional and ethical responsibility and sensitivity to gender |  |  |  |
| Working independently  | issues  |  |  |  |
| Team work  | Criticism and self-criticism  |  |  |  |
| Working in an international environment  | Production of free, creative and inductive thinking                               |  |  |  |
| Working in an interdisciplinary environment  | Others  |  |  |  |
| Production of new research ideas   |   |  |  |  |

- Search, analyze and synthesize data and information, using the necessary technologies.
- Decision making.
- Autonomous work.
- Working in an interdisciplinary environment.
- Promote free, creative and inductive thinking.

### 3. COURSE CONTENT

Computers and microprocessors. Numeral systems. Conversion and operations in different numeration bases. BCD arithmetic. Elements of Boolean Algebra. Logic circuits. Boolean operators and gates. Truth tables. Relationships between logic gates and Boolean expressions. Designing logic circuits. Half adder and full adder. Binary comparator. Memory circuits. Registers and counters. Families, technologies, characteristics and compatibility of integrated circuits. Microprocessor architecture and it's operation. Timing and control unit. Arithmetic logic unit. Microprocessors Programming. Assembly language programming.

Laboratory exercises in assembly language programming using simulators like the GNUSim8085 one and applications in solving mathematical problems.

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# 4. TEACHING AND LEARNING METHODS - ASSESSMENT

| <b>TEACHING METHOD</b><br>Face-to-face, Distance learning, etc.  | Face-to-Face Lectures  |                   |  |  |
|--|--|-------------------|--|--|
| USE OF INFORMATION AND<br>COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES<br>Use of ICT in teaching, laboratory education,<br>communication with students   | Support of the learning process through the <i>eClass</i> platform. Usage of Assembly simulators like the GNUSim8085 one.  |                   |  |  |
| TEACHING ORGANIZATION  | Activity   | Semester workload |  |  |
| The manner and methods of teaching are   | Lectures   | 26                |  |  |
| described in detail.   | Laboratory exercises   | 26                |  |  |
| Lectures, seminars, laboratory practice,   | ,, _,, _ |                   |  |  |
| fieldwork, study and analysis of bibliography,   | Solving suggested exercises  | 30                |  |  |
| tutorials, placements, clinical practice, art  | Personal study by the student  | 65                |  |  |
| visits, project, essay writing, artistic creativity,   |  |                   |  |  |
| etc.   | Final examination  | 3                 |  |  |
| The student's study hours for each learning  |  |                   |  |  |
| activity are given as well as the hours of non-  |  |                   |  |  |
| directed study according to the principles of  | Total number of hours for the Course   | 150               |  |  |
| LITE ECTS  | (25 hours of work-load per ECTS credit)  | 150               |  |  |
|  |  |                   |  |  |
| <b>STUDENT ASSESSEMNT</b><br>Description of the evaluation procedure   | Assessment Language: Greek<br>Assessment Language for Erasmus students: Er   | nglish            |  |  |
| Language of evaluation, methods of<br>evaluation, summative or conclusive, multiple<br>choice questionnaires, short-answer questions,<br>open-ended questions, problem solving,<br>written work, essay/report, oral examination,<br>public presentation, laboratory work, clinical<br>examination of patient, art interpretation,<br>other | Assessment methods:<br>Written final examination which includes theory and problems solving.   |                   |  |  |
| outer  | Minimum passing grade: 5   |                   |  |  |
| Specifically-defined evaluation criteria are given, and if and where they are accessible to students.  | Maximum passing grade: 10  |                   |  |  |

## 5. RECOMMENDED LITERATURE

(in Greek)

- Βραχάτης Μιχαήλ Ν. και Παπαδάκης Σπυρίδων Χ. *Μικροϋπολογιστές*. Εκδόσεις Παπασωτηρίου, 1995.
- Πεκμεστζή Κιαμάλ. *Συστήματα Μικροϋπολογιστών*. 2<sup>η</sup> Έκδοση, Εκδόσεις Συμμετρία, 1995.

