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Resource IT Conversion training



Goal

- To make a graduate with or without a STEM background to be able to:
- Develop high-quality standalone and web-based applications and services
 - Understand and apply an iterative and incremental/agile development process
 - Analyze the requirements of a problem presented by a client and, as a team, specify a solution
 - Design the solution using appropriate architectural and design patterns
 - Implement the solution in Java/JavaScript using Test Driven Development (TDD) and Continuous Integration (CI)
- Know and apply the essential technologies and best practices to be productive in an OO (Java) or web development team using CI





The SWitCH approach

- The SWitCH program aims to fulfil this objective:
- A careful selection of the candidates
- 1 school year (32 weeks of classes)
- An innovative pedagogical approach based on project-based learning
- A barebones approach, focusing on the minimum content necessary for the students to be successful in the typical professional environment
- A semi-professional work environment based on teamwork, peer-learning and Scrum
- Focused and intensive: 35 hours/week in the classroom





Pedagogical approach

- We call it CDIO-IL and it is a combination of:
- Disciplinary teaching (33%)
 - Lectures and regular lab classes
- Project Based Learning (67%)
 - Project development in a team of 9-10 elements
 - Scrum software development process (2-weeks sprints)
 - Project is supplied by a real software company (product owner)
 - Global backlog of user stories and sprints' backlogs adapted to the learning process' needs

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Pedagogical approach

- How can it be so fast and effective?
- By the careful application of selected active learning pedagogical patterns and project-based learning
- Learn by example
 - Providing solutions upfront help the student scaffolding knowledge
- Learn by doing
 - All work is to be produced in the context of the project, including in regular classes
 - The immediate application of new knowledge in a real application helps the students cement the knowledge and learning more effectively





Pedagogical approach

- How can it be so fast and effective?
- Teamwork and Peer-learning
 - Provides a first support network and helps the student consolidate learning
- Feedback
 - The teacher's main role is to provide quality feedback, promoting rework and improvement
- Focus on quality of work done
 - Grades reflect quality (below standards, met the standards, noteworthy)
 - Deliveries that don't meet the requirements and minimum quality standards are not accepted





Program Structure

- Two 16-week semesters
- Up to 30 students/class, 9-10 elements/group
- 35 hours/week workload
 - 15 hours/week of regular classes
 - 20 hours/week of autonomous work in a scrum team

3 simultaneous courses each semester

- 1 core software engineering and programming course
- 1 technical course covering key supporting technologies and competencies
- 1 project course to develop a product for a client







Program Structure

1st semester

- Iterative agile software development ${}^{\bullet}$
- Computing systems and networks ullet
- Databases lacksquare
- Project I

2nd semester

- Web programming and Service-Oriented Architecture (SOA) ٠
- DevOps •
- Project II ${}^{\bullet}$







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Program Structure





Timeline

2021/22 Calendar







Course Information





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Iterative agile software development

Main goals

- Understand the need for the existence of a software development process (SDP) and the dimensions and stakeholders of the SDP
- Apply an iterative and incremental agile SDP, using appropriate artefacts and notations for describing the problem, the analysis, the design and the solution
- Apply methodologies of OO analysis and design, including simple OO design principles and patterns, namely GRASP, SOLID and GoF
- Apply methodologies and tools for converting design to implementation in Java
- Apply object-relational mapping techniques and tools



Iterative agile software development

Technologies

- UML
- Software design patterns
- Git version control system
- Java
- JUnit







Databases

Main goals

- Understand the fundamentals of database management systems (DBMS), with particular emphasis on relational databases
- Apply relational data modelling principles to design a database for a project, taking into account functional requirements and constraints
- Understand relational algebra and use SQL to manipulate information in a relational database





Databases

- Technologies
 - SQL
 - Oracle DBMS





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Computing systems and networks

Main goals

- Understand the functional organization of a conventional computer
- Use information representation and logical operations
- Use shell script programming to solve small scale problems
- Understand how the TCP/IP stack and the most relevant associated protocols work
- Be able to design network application protocols, develop and implement network applications in Java





Computing systems and networks

- Technologies
 - Linux
 - TCP/IP
 - HTTP
 - Sockets
 - Java







Project I

Main goals

- Work in a team, in the context of a software development project, applying TDD and Scrum
- Use the software development and teamwork tools and approaches that are appropriate for each moment and context
- Apply methodologies of OO analysis and design, including simple OO design principles and patterns
- Apply the appropriate methodologies and tools to implement and test the design in Java
- Understand essential documentation and presentation best practices and apply them to communicate the results of the software project





Project I

Technologies

- UML
- Scrum
- Git + Jenkins + SonarQube
- Java
- JUnit
- Oracle DBMS
- SQL







Web programming & SOA

- Main goals
 - Analyze the requirements and concepts of a web-based Distributed and Decentralized Software Systems (DDSS)
 - Design DDSS using industry standard design and architecture styles and patterns, especially Domain-Driven Design (DDD)
 - Implement DDSS according to design models using a Java and JavaScript stack
 - Apply an iterative and incremental agile Software Development Process, using a test-driven approach





Web programming & SOA

Technologies

- DDD
- DDSS software design and architectural patterns
- JPA ORM
- Java
- Javascript/TypeScript
- Web Services (REST)
- React.JS
- Etc.







DevOps

- Main goals
 - Understand the fundamentals of computer systems administration and security
 - Be able to install and manage Linux systems
 - Use virtual machines locally and in virtualization infrastructures
 - Use appropriate DevOps/scripting tools to automate the deployment of applications and containers
 - Use the different components of a continuous delivery pipeline





DevOps

Technologies

- Windows, Linux
- VirtualBox, VMware
- Chef
- Ansible
- Docker
- Etc.







Project II

- Main goals
 - Work with a team, in the context of a software development project, applying Scrum and continuous integration (CI)
 - Apply industry standard methodologies and architectural patterns for DDSS analysis and design
 - Apply DevOps methodologies and tools to implement, test and deploy the application
 - Understand essential documentation and presentation best practices and apply them to communicate the results of the software project





Project II

Technologies

- UML
- Scrum
- Git + Jenkins + SonarQube (or an equivalent stack)
- Docker containers
- Java, JavaScript/TypeScript
- Database (Oracle or MySQL)
- Etc.





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ASSOCIATED COMPANIES

