

# Introduction to Research

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# Curricular Unit Operation

- One-hour weekly lecture
  - For interaction;
  - For presentation of tutorials / seminars.
- Components
  - To improve skills in searching and selection of bibliographic references;
  - To be able to structure and properly prepare a scientific manuscript;
  - To know how to communicate research results and adequately present the work taken;
  - Develop preparatory work for the dissertation :
    - State of the art, detailing the problem and possible solutions, specification, workplan (monitoring by the supervisor)...

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- Systematic methods of researching scientific information;
- Design and work realization for publication;
- Invited tutorials;
- Elaborate and defend a dissertation report project.

Apply to the transferable skills course (mandatory):  
“How to write an Engineering Dissertation”

– Beginning at 14 of October –

**Deadline for submitting applications : 30 of September**

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# Requirements

- You need to have a dissertation topic, or an equivalent level work proposal + supervisor;
- All course stages must be completed by the end of the first semester.

# Interaction Activities

- Deliver a midterm report (5 pages)
  - Anonymous peer review;
    - Apply constructive criticism;
    - Propose improvements to the report.
  - Assessment by the supervisor.
- Writing of the final preparation to the dissertation report
  - 15 pages minimum, 30 maximum
- Public defense before a three-member jury (videoconference).
  - 5 minutes presentation + 15 minutes discussion.

# Evaluation

- The assessment of the midterm report is carried out by the supervisors, and the qualitative assessment taken by the peers will also be taken into consideration.
- There will be a component on the quality of peer review assessment.

## RT — Midterm Report

- There will be a “bonus” that start at 2/20 grade points for active participation in the tutorials and seminars.

## PT — Participation in tutorials/seminars

# Evaluation

— The jury evaluates the final report and the public presentation of the work. The jury is made up of three elements: 2 external elements (professor and/or expert) and the supervisor.

CJ — Jury evaluation

RF — Final report

AP — Public presentation of the work

OR — Supervisor

E1 — External element 1

E2 — External element 2

PT — Participation in tutorials/seminars

$$OR, E1, E2 = 0,6 \times RF + 0,4 \times AP$$

$$CJ = 0,5 \times OR + 0,25 \times E1 + 0,25 \times E2$$

— Final grade:

$$CF = 0,75 \times CJ + 0,15 \times RT + 0,1 \times PT$$

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Any Questions?

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