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# Human-Computer Interaction 2023/24



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“ the HCI discipline investigates and tackles all issues related to the design and implementation of the interface between humans and computers. “

“It expanded from early graphical user interfaces to include myriad interaction techniques and devices, multi-modal interactions, ..., and a host of emerging ubiquitous, handheld and context-aware interactions”

Carroll, John M., “Human Computer Interaction - brief intro”. In: Soegaard, Mads and Dam, Rikke Friis (eds.). "The Encyclopedia of Human-Computer Interaction, 2nd Ed.". Aarhus, Denmark: The Interaction Design Foundation.

[https://www.interaction-design.org/encyclopedia/human\\_computer\\_interaction\\_hci.html](https://www.interaction-design.org/encyclopedia/human_computer_interaction_hci.html)

# Interaction and Interface

“Roughly speaking, **interaction** refers to an **abstract model** by which humans interact with the computing device for a given task, and an **interface** is a choice of **technical realization (hardware or software)** of such a given interaction model.”

(Kim, 2015)

## About this course:

Main objectives you should attain:

- understanding of what is the Human-Computer Interaction field
- understanding the importance of the User Interface (UI) of an interactive system;
- knowledge of the fundamental concepts, methods and techniques for the:
  - design
  - implementation
  - evaluation of Interactive Computer Systems

# Course information

- Web
  - <http://sweet.ua.pt/bss>
  - More materials in moodle.ua.pt
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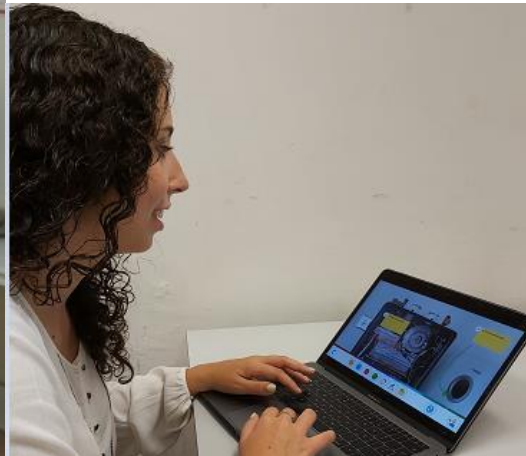
# Lectures and Lab classes

Lectures - fundamental concepts; methods to support practical assignments  
paper presentation and discussion

Lab classes – design, implementation and evaluation of User Interfaces (UIs)  
and interactive systems



- participation in user studies (if possible ...)



## **You will have the opportunity to:**

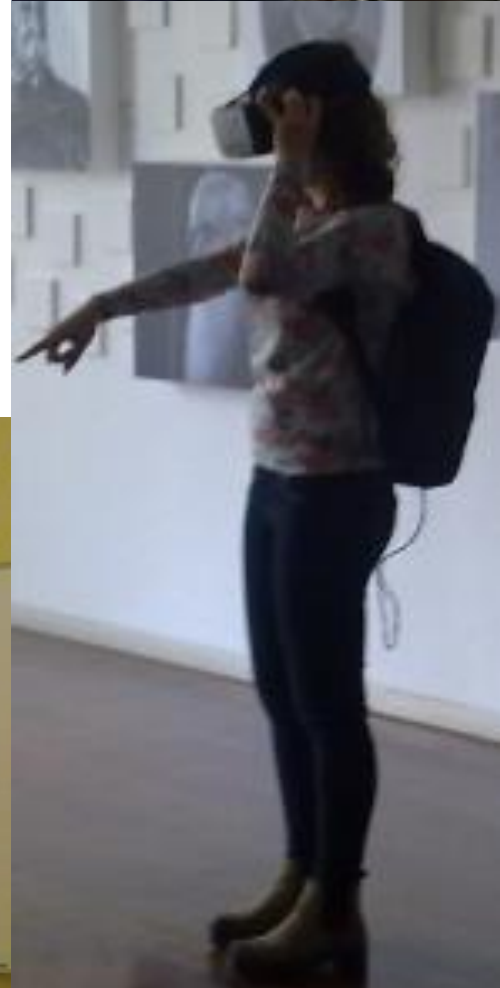
Learn the fundamentals of this pivotal field

Attend the presentation of cutting edge research

Test and use new interaction and display equipment

Develop for various platforms

And participate in user studies





# Attending lectures and lab classes

- Attending lectures will help you in several ways,  
addressed topics are to be applied in the practical assignments!
- Attending lab classes is mandatory, will be registered formally and you cannot pass if you do not have the minimum required
- Working students must contact paulo.dias@ua.pt during the two first weeks of the semester

# Lectures (subject to minor changes)

## Wednesdays/Thursday

- 1- Introduction to the course
  - 2- Definition of HCI, User Interface (UI), Usability and UX principles and paradigms
  - 3- The user: the Human Information Processing System (HIPS)
  - 4- The user (cont). Mental models and conceptual models
  - 5- Introduction to User-Centered Design and S/W patterns for UIs
  - 6- Interaction Styles: Menus and direct manipulation
  - 7- Other Interaction styles
  - 8- Models for UI design (user models, task analysis)
  - 9- Screen layout. Color models and color usage
  - 10- Evaluation methods (more detailed study)
  - 11- Input and output devices
  - 12- 3D user interfaces (extended reality)
- + two Wednesdays for paper presentations**

# Lectures

## Wednesday

**1** - 14-02-2024  
**2** - 21-02-2024  
**3** - 28-02-2024  
**4** - 06-03-2024  
**5** - 13-03-2024  
**6** - 20-03-2024  
**7** - 28-03-2024  
**8** - 10-04-2024

**9** - 17-04-2024  
**10** - 24-04-2024  
**11** - 08-05-2024  
**12** - 15-05-2024  
**13** - 22-05-2024  
**14** - 29-05-2024  
**15** - 05-06-2024

## Thursday

**1** - 15-02-2024  
**2** - 22-02-2024  
**3** - 29-02-2024  
**4** - 07-03-2024  
**5** - 14-03-2024  
**6** - 21-03-2024  
**7** - 04-04-2024

**8** - 11-04-2024  
**9** - 18-04-2024  
**10** - 09-05-2024  
**11** - 16-05-2024  
**12** - 23-05-2024

## OT sessions:

Thursday – 18h

Via registration in Moodle  
 until Thursday 14h00

Horas	Terça - 20-02-2024	Quarta - 21-02-2024	Quinta - 22-02-2024
08:00			
08:30			
09:00	INTERAÇÃO HUMANO-COMPUTADOR: 41549 sss@ua.pt 04.2.25	INTERAÇÃO HUMANO-COMPUTADOR: 41549 paulo.dias@ua.pt	INTERAÇÃO HUMANO-COMPUTADOR: 41549 paulo.dias@ua.pt 04.1.06
09:30	(8240-3-5, 8240-3-6, 8316-3-5, 8316-3-6) P3	(8295-2, 8295-2-1, 8295-2-2, 8295-2-3, 8295-2-4, 8295-2-5, TP2	(8240-3, 8240-3-7, 8295-2, 8295-2-3, 8295-2-4, 8295-2-5, TP9
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15:30	(8240-3-1, 8240-3-2, 8295-2-4, 8295-2-5, 8316-3-1, 8316-3-5) P1		Número de alunos: 43
16:00	Número de alunos: 20		Número de alunos: 20
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17:00			
17:30	INTERAÇÃO HUMANO-COMPUTADOR: 41549 04.1.06		
18:00	(8240-3-1, 8240-3-2, 8295-2-1, 8295-2-2, 8295-2-4, 8316-3-5) P7		
18:30	Número de alunos: 20		
19:00			INTERAÇÃO HUMANO-COMPUTADOR: 41549 04.1.06 (8240-3, 8240-3-1, 8240-3-2, TP1

## Lab classes (subjected to minor changes)

- Introduction to the Lab classes.
- **Assignment n.1 (evaluate an interactive system) (groups of 3 students)**
- Evaluation of UIs/Interactive systems using analytical methods
- **Presentation and discussion of assignment n. 1.**
- **Assignment n.2 (develop a prototype of an interactive system) (3 students)**
- Human-Centered approach to design and develop interactive systems:  
requirements analysis; prototyping and evaluation; prototyping and evaluation
- **Presentation and discussion of assignment n. 2**

Devices that can be  
used in the lab  
classes



# Assessment

**Final Mark -> Exam (45%) + paper presentation (10%) +  
1<sup>st</sup> assignment (10%) + 2<sup>nd</sup> assignment (35%)**

Minimum mark in each component (TP / P) – 7.5/20

- paper from a conference -> 15 min presentation (groups of 2 students)
- assignment n. 1: **evaluation with analytic methods** -> presentation and discussion (groups of 3 students)
- assignment n. 2: design, implementation and test of a interactive prototype following **User Centered Design** -> presentation, demo, discussion (groups of 3 students)

Exams: multiple choice + True/false + open questions (possibly)

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# Moodle Walkthrough



News forum



Course web page



Registration to the next OT



## Paper Presentation



Vote on a paper presentation



Paper selection and presentation guidelines



MUM2022 - long papers



Select a date for Paper Presentation TP1 - Wednesday 11h -13h

Select only one time slot and indicate the names of both students



Indicate a paper to present - TP1 - Wednesday - 11h-13h



## Lectures Slides

Highlighted



Introduction to the course



Introduction to HCI - Usability/UX principles and paradigms



# Paper presentation assignment (groups of two students)

- Wednesday 9h-11h – 28 paper presentations
- Wednesday 11h -13h - 28 paper presentations
- Thursday 14h -16h - 20 paper presentations
- Starting on February 28<sup>th</sup>



Submission of paper presentation slides

Please submit the presentation slides using the following file name format:

TPX\_nmec1+nmec2\_presentation date; e.g.:

TP1\_120000+120001\_March\_1.pdf



## Paper Presentation



Vote on a paper presentation

## Selecting a paper:

This year you may read and present papers from one of these major conferences



ACM/IEEE International Conference on Human-Robot Interaction

March 13-16, 2023 Stockholm, SE

<https://humanrobotinteraction.org/2023/toc/>

<https://dl.acm.org/doi/proceedings/10.5555/3523760>



<https://dl.acm.org/toc/pacmhci/2023/7/MHCI>

<https://mobilehci.acm.org/2023/index.php>



<https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/xpl/conhome/10108080/proceeding?isnumber=10108082&sortType=vol-only-seq&pageNumber=2>

<https://ieeevr.org/2023/program/papers/>

Selecting a paper:

Or from one of these  
smaller conferences



22nd International Conference  
on Mobile and Ubiquitous Multimedia

*December 3rd — 6th*  
*Vienna, Austria*

<https://www.mum-conf.org/2022/schedule/#s2>  
[https://dl.acm.org/doi/proceedings/10.1145/  
3626705](https://dl.acm.org/doi/proceedings/10.1145/3626705)



**ACM Symposium on Spatial User Interaction**

SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA

<https://dl.acm.org/doi/proceedings/10.1145/3607822>  
<https://sui.acm.org/2023/>

- Volunteers to present a paper in two weeks?



Note that:

- Volunteers have absolute priority in selecting the paper
- And will have this assignment done (10% of final mark) soon in the semester !

## Until March 7<sup>th</sup>

Each group of two students should:

- select paper (with  $\geq 8$  pages) from the conference proceedings (HRI2023, MobileCHI2023 IEEEVR2023, MUM2023, SUI2023)
- indicate the preferred paper via a form

and then:

- read the paper presentation guidelines (available at the course web page)
- prepare a 15 min presentation (~15 slides)
- submit the slides via Moodle



Submission of paper presentation slides

Please submit the presentation slides using the following file name format:

TP1\_120000+120001\_March\_1.pdf

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Some possible Present and Future trends:

Gesture interfaces

Extended reality

Human-robot interfaces

Conversational user interfaces

Empathic computing

Brain-computer interfaces

...

- Next week:
  - Select the presentation dates you prefer
  - And the papers you prefer via the form available in Moodle
  - Think about two interactive systems/applications to evaluate

Good luck with your work  
in this course and have fun!

