SYLLABUS

REGARDING THE QUALIFICATION CYCLE FROM 2024 TO 2027 ACADEMIC YEAR 2024/2025

1. Basic Course/Module Information

Course/Module title	Design Principles
Course/Module code *	K ₇
Faculty (name of the unit offering the field of study)	College of Humanities
Name of the unit running the course	Institute of Modern Languages
Field of study	Media, Visual and Social Communication
Qualification level	Bachelors degree
Profile	general academic
Study mode	full-time
Year and semester of studies	Year 1, semester 1
Course type	major
Language of instruction	English
Coordinator	Dr Ondrej Revický
Course instructor	Dr Ondrej Revický

^{* -} as agreed at the faculty

1.1.Learning format – number of hours and ECTS credits

Semester (no.)	Lectures	Classes	Laboratories	Seminars	Practical classes	Internships	others	ECTS credits
1		30						4

1.2. Course delivery methods

- conducted in a traditional way
- 1.3. Course/Module assessment (exam, pass with a grade, pass without a grade)

PASS WITH A GRADE, EXAM

2. PREREQUISITES

none

3. OBJECTIVES, LEARNING OUTCOMES, COURSE CONTENT, AND INSTRUCTIONAL METHODS

3.1. Course/Module objectives

01	Learn the basics of visual perception and visual communication.
02	Obtain tools for analysing visual messages.
О3	Master the basic principles of creating a message using visual language.

3.2. COURSE/MODULE LEARNING OUTCOMES (TO BE COMPLETED BY THE COORDINATOR)

Learning Outcome	The description of the learning outcome defined for the course/module	Relation to the degree programme outcomes
LO_01	The graduate understands the essence of the process of visual communication, correctly distinguishes the means and techniques of artistic expression used in the construction of the message.	K_Wo1 K_Wo3
LO_02	The graduate uses source materials, defines design goals, critically evaluates and adjusts his/her operations to get the right form for the message.	K_Uo1
LO_03	The graduate understands the potential of contemporary trends in visual communication and technical possibilities in the media environment. He/she understands his/her role and responsibility in creating the message, and cares about the professionalism and ethics of his/her actions.	K_K04 K_K06

3.3. Course content (to be completed by the coordinator)

A. Lectures

Content outline	

B. Classes, laboratories, seminars, practical classes

Content outline
A set of tasks introducing the topics:
– contrast

- composition
- space
- hierarchy
- repetition
- rhythm
- balance
- distinction/similarity
- proximity
- order
- proportions
- movement
- color

3.4. Methods of Instruction

e.g.

Lecture: a problem-solving lecture/a lecture supported by a multimedia presentation/ distance learning Classes: text analysis and discussion/project work (research project, implementation project, practical project)/ group work (problem solving, case study, discussion)/didactic games/ distance learning Laboratory classes: designing and conducting experiments

Text analysis and discussion Practical project Group work (problem solving, case study, discussion) Didactic games

4. Assessment techniques and criteria

4.1 Methods of evaluating learning outcomes

Learning outcome	Methods of assessment of learning outcomes (e.g. test, oral exam, written exam, project, report, observation during classes)	Learning format (lectures, classes,)
LO-01	PROJECT	CLASSES
LO-02	PROJECT	CLASSES
LO-03	OBSERVATION DURING CLASSES	CLASSES

4.2 Course assessment criteria

The final grade is based on the arithmetic average of the partial grades that students receive for completing and presenting all works done during the semester at the final review. The following criteria are taken into account when evaluating the projects:

Relevance to the topic (max 10 points);

Planning and execution of the creative process (max 15 points);

Quality of work (max 15 points);

Creativity (max 15 points);

Concept, its development, and the creation process (max 15 points);

Timeliness (max 10 points);

Consistency (max 10 points);

Independence (max 10 points).

Grading scale: 60-68% - 3.0 69-76% - 3.5 77-84% - 4.0
85-92% - 4.5
93-100% - 5.0
To be eligible to take the exam, students must achieve at least a satisfactory grade in the classes. The exam can be either oral or written and covers topics discussed during the classes.
Grading scale:
60-68% - 3.0
69-76% - 3.5
77-84% - 4.0
85-92% - 4.5
93-100% - 5.0

5. Total student workload needed to achieve the intended learning outcomes – number of hours and ECTS credits

Activity	Number of hours
Course hours	30
Other contact hours involving the teacher (consultation hours, examinations)	6
Non-contact hours - student's own work (preparation for classes or examinations, projects, etc.)	65
Total number of hours	101
Total number of ECTS credits	4

^{*} one ECTS point corresponds to 25-30 hours of total student workload

6. Internships related to the course/module

Number of hours	
Internship regulations and procedures	

7. Instructional materials

Compulsory literature:		
B. Bergström, Essentials of Visual Communication, 2008		
A. Frutiger, Sign and symbols. Their design and meaning, 1989		
Complementary literature:		
R Arnheim Art and Visual Percention Second Edition: A psychology of the		

Creative Eye, 2004

Approved by the Head of the Department or an authorised person.