



COURSE SYLLABUS

Software Entrepreneurship and Business Planning, 7.5 credits

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Course Code: TSEG16	Education Cycle: First-cycle level
Confirmed by: Dean Feb 4, 2016	Disciplinary domain: Technology (95%) and social sciences (5%)
Revised by: Director of Education Jan 24, 2018	Subject group: IE1
Valid From: Jan 1, 2016	Specialised in: G2F
Version: 2	Main field of study: Product Development
Reg number: JTH 2018/441-313	

Intended Learning Outcomes (ILO)

Upon successful completion of the course, the student should:

Knowledge and understanding

- display knowledge of the terminology and concepts of entrepreneurship
- demonstrate comprehension of the lean approach to business start-up
- be familiar with the challenges facing a software start up team

Skills and abilities

- demonstrate skills of creating a business model canvas
- demonstrate ability to validate a business model by obtaining external feedback
- demonstrate ability to pitch a start-up concept

Judgement and approach

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- demonstrate ability to assess entrepreneurial potential in themselves and their colleagues
- demonstrate ability to judge the effectiveness of a business model

Contents

The course includes the following topics:

- Entrepreneurship as a social phenomenon
- Entrepreneurial processes and their relationship to innovation and creativity
- Formulation of the vision, mission and business idea
- Sourcing finance and sustaining stakeholder engagement
- Business plans – purpose, strategic relevance and essential content
- Business planning processes
- Balancing opportunity and uncertainty through risk analysis

Type of instruction

The course will consist of lectures, seminars, exercises and practical work

The teaching is conducted in English.

Prerequisites

Passed courses totaling 180 credits in first cycle, with at least 90 credits in Computer Engineering, Electrical Engineering (with relevant courses in Computer Engineering), or equivalent. The bachelor degree should comprise a minimum of 15 credits in Mathematics (or the equivalent).

Examination and grades

The course is graded 5,4,3 or Fail.

The final grade for the course is based upon a balanced set of assessments.

The final grade will only be issued after satisfactory completion of all assessments.

Registration of examination:

Name of the Test	Value	Grading
Examination	2.5 credits	5/4/3/U
Project work	5 credits	5/4/3/U

Course literature

Main textbook:

Title: The Start-up Owner's Manual: The Step-by-Step Guide for Building a Great Company

Author: Steve Blank and Bob Dorf

Publisher: K & S Ranch

Title: Beyond Software Architecture: Creating and Sustaining Winning Solutions

Author: Luke Hohmann

Publisher: Addison-Wesley

Supplementary reading:

Title: Effectual Entrepreneurship

Author: Stuart Read, Saras Sarasvathy, Nick Drew, Robert Witbank, Anne-Valerie Ohlsson

Publisher: Routledge

Title: The Lean Startup

Author: Eric Ries

Publisher: Penguin

Title: The Lean Entrepreneur

Author: Brant Cooper & Patrick Vlaskovits

Publisher: John Wiley